

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 27 February 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE17/052) - Restraints for the 'elderly' 'frail' or 'disabled' - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management**

Senator Pratt, Louise (L&CA 97) asked:

Senator PRATT: You have said that people are not always physically restrained when they are moved around the onshore detention network. Are there incidences of people who are elderly or people who have a disability being physically restrained when they are moved around?

Mr Quaedvlieg: I will take that on notice, noting that definition of 'aged' or 'elderly and disabled'—

Senator PRATT: I guess 'frail' is perhaps a better word than 'elderly' in these circumstances.

Mr Quaedvlieg: We will see if we can break down—I understand the premise and the intent of your question—under very clearly defined parameters what is 'elderly', what is 'frail', what is 'disabled'. I might just have to come back and qualify the extent of the answer we provide, but I understand what you are asking.

Senator PRATT: Can you provide photos of the kinds of restraints that you are using, on notice?

Mr Quaedvlieg: Yes.

Senator PRATT: Has there been an increase in crime within the onshore detention network?

Mr Quaedvlieg: The answer to your first question is yes, we can provide photographs, if they are not publicly available.

Senator WATT: Do you have them there? Or would you be in a position to provide them this evening?

Mr Quaedvlieg: Possibly. We will take it on notice to see if we can procure them during the dinner break.

Senator PRATT: Thank you.

*Answer:*

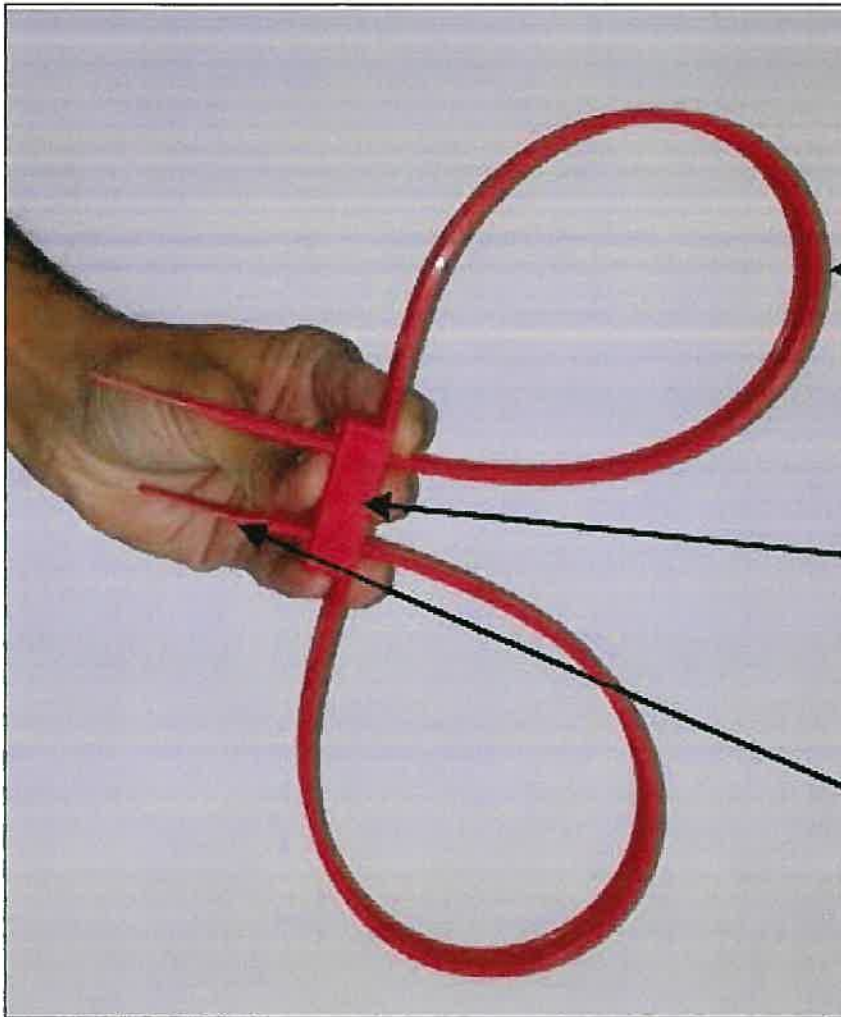
The application and approval of restraints is appropriate and proportionate to the assessed threat and risk of harm to the individual detainee and of others. This process includes consideration of a detainee's physical condition, including their age and medical condition. Photos of restraints are attached.



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**APPROVED INSTRUMENTS OF RESTRAINT**

- **FLEXICUFF**



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- SAF-LOK MAR KV HINGED HANDCUFFS

