

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 27 February 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE17/157) - Compliance and Detention - Use of Force in Detention - Deadly force  
- Programme 1.3: Compliance and Detention**

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Are Departmental officers able to use deadly force if required and in what circumstances can the Department or service providers use force and physical restraints?

*Answer:*

Departmental officers are not trained or authorised to use lethal force within the immigration detention network.

Appropriate use of reasonable force and/or restraint in a place of immigration detention may be used to prevent escape; prevent a detainee from injuring themselves or others; manage riotous behaviour by a group of detainees; prevent a detainee inflicting damage to property; conduct a search or screening procedure; and during scheduled travel.