

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/270) PROGRAMME – 3.5 and 3.6: Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) Offshore Management

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

How many detainees will be/have been transferred from Scherger Immigration Detention Centre?

- a. Which detention centred will they/were they transferred to?
- b. How many have been/are going to be released into the community?
- c. How many have been/are going to be voluntarily returned?
- d. How many have been/are going to be involuntarily returned?

Answer:

During the period 1 July 2013 to 30 May 2014, 293 detainees transferred from Scherger Immigration Detention Centre (IDC).

a. The detention centres transferred to include Bladin, Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation (ITA), Curtin IDC, Maribyrnong IDC, Melbourne ITA, Northern IDC, Villawood IDC, Wickham Point Alternative Place of Detention, Wickham Point IDC and Yongah Hill IDC.

b. There have been 732 detainees from Scherger Immigration Detention Facility released into the community on a Bridging Visa E and none placed into Community Detention between 1 July 2013 and 30 May 2014.

c/d. The department does not record information on removals from specific detention centres in a consolidated manner.