## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### **BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014**

#### IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

# (BE14/280) PROGRAMME – 3.3 and 3.4: Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) Onshore Management

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

How will they assist the Northern Territory police force in their regular and/or 'detention footprint' duties?

a. If not, why not?

#### Answer:

Under the memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP), the Australian Federal Police (AFP) and Northern Territory Police (NTP), in exchange for fixed monthly payments, NTP have committed to respond to immigration detention facility incidents that require a police response, undertake investigation of offences and provide general community policing services as required.

a. Outside of the commitment by NTP to provide these services to IDFs, allocation of police resources for regular duties is an operational matter for NTP.