QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES - 26 - 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/403) PROGRAMME – 2.1 and 2.2: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Hanson-Young (Written) asked:

How does the government intend to deal with any neonatal emergencies on Nauru? ie, if pregnant woman begins to haemorrhage or a woman goes into labour prematurely? Is the hospital on Nauru equipped to deal with such emergencies?

Answer:

The Nauru Offshore Processing Centre has paediatric emergency equipment for emergency stabilisation.

The Republic of Nauru Hospital has paediatricians and a blood bank.

A medical transfer will be organised if required.