

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/307) - Number of Vessel Turn backs - Operation Sovereign Borders

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Please provide the number of vessels turned back by the ABF, the dates on which they were turned back, the number of adults and the number of children on board, and the country where the vessel departed from for:

2012/2013

2013/2014

2014/2015

2015/2016

2016/2017

Answer:

A table detailing information about the returned people smuggling ventures has been provided, please refer to BE17/042.

Since the commencement of Operation Sovereign Borders, there have been 765 individuals returned. Of these 765 individuals, there have been 27 identified as children. To preserve operational security, further details will not be disclosed.