

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(BE17/057) - Manus Good Friday Incident - Date minister was briefed on incident involving the minor - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management**

Senator Pratt, Louise (L&CA 122) asked:

Senator PRATT: That is fine. I understand. When was the minister briefed about the incident involving the little boy?

Mr Quaedvlieg: I am not sure whether there were a number of briefings and from whom he received those, but what I can say is that he received direct advice in relation to both the incident involving the young boy and the disorder event on Good Friday.

Senator PRATT: Was he briefed before Friday, 14 April, as in before the later incident occurred?

Mr Quaedvlieg: I cannot recall. I will have to take that one on notice.

Mr Pezzullo: Check our reports.

Senator PRATT: Who was it that briefed the minister?

Mr Quaedvlieg: Again, I would have to take that on notice. The minister received advice from a range of media and persons within the department and the Border Force. It may well be more than one. It may have been an oral briefing; it may have been a face-to-face briefing; it may have been a written document or—

*Answer:*

The Minister's office received advice on 9 April 2017 from the Strategic Border Command Centre regarding the unauthorised presence in the Manus Regional Processing Centre of the child.