QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/119) - Legacy Caseload bar lifting - number of individuals waiting - Programme 2.4: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator McKim, Nick (L&CA 78) asked:

Senator McKIM: So the total in the Australian community under judicial review or who have commenced it without a bridging visa, and then also how many of them are in the legacy caseload cohort. Thank you.

How many people, if any, are waiting for the minister to lift the bar to enable them to apply for a bridging visa following receipt of a negative IAA determination?

Ms Zakharoff: We will take that one on notice. We believe it is a small number, but we will take that and come back to you formally.

Answer:

As at 6 June 2017, 1,072 people were at judicial review after being refused a Protection visa, and were in the community without a visa in effect. Of these, 934 were Illegal Maritime Arrivals from the Legacy Caseload.

As at 9 June 2017, there were 13 people waiting for the Minister to lift the bar to enable them to apply for a Bridging visa E following receipt of a negative Immigration Assessment Authority determination.