QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/125) PROGRAMME – Operation Sovereign Borders

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Please give an example of when it would be UNSAFE to turn a boat back or place people on a lifeboat.

Answer:

Extreme weather conditions, for example, would be a potential factor in determining the ongoing safety of an operation.