QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/130) PROGRAMME – Operation Sovereign Borders

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Is the reported figure of the cost of attempting to turn-back the 157 Tamil asylum seekers of \$12,020,778 million correct?

- a. Please provide a breakdown of these costs?
- b. If not, how much did the entire operation cost?
- c. What is the breakdown of these costs?

Answer:

The cost of implementing Operation Sovereign Borders, including individual counterpeople smuggling measures, is not individually measured and funded.