

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(SE14/463) PROGRAMME – 2.3 and 2.4: Regional Cooperation**

Senator Hanson-Young (Written) asked:

- The government hasn't been able to secure a deal in the past 12 months, what assurances can they really give that asylum seekers will ever be resettled in PNG?

*Answer:*

The Australian Government is supporting the Government of Papua New Guinea to meet its commitments under the terms of the Regional Resettlement Arrangement and Memorandum of Understanding by providing a range of technical, financial and procedural assistance.