

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(210) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network**

Senator Cash asked:

It is understood that there is a standard for the design and fit-out of Immigration Facilities being ten square metres for single occupancy. Is this standard being met at the Curtin Detention Centre and at the Leonora site? How many clients are being housed in each of these facilities?

*Answer:*

(1) The Standards for the Design and Fitout of Immigration Facilities provide for 10m<sup>2</sup> for single occupancy, with a maximum of two people per bedroom in times of surge or contingency capacity (5 m<sup>2</sup> per person).

(2) Due to the increase in Irregular Maritime Arrivals, the standards on square metres per person are not being met at Curtin. Leonora is a facility for families and in this context acceptable community solutions apply.

As at 21 February 2011 Curtin housed 1184 clients and Leonora housed 196 clients.