

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0055) PROGRAM – 3.1: Border Management

Senator Cash (L&CA 64) asked:

How many people in detention or on bridging visas have not yet had an initial determination of their status?

Answer:

As at 31 December 2012, there were 11435 irregular maritime arrivals (IMAs) who were screened in but had not received an initial determination of their protection claims. Of these IMAs, 5452 were on a Bridging Visa E (BVE) and 5983 were in detention.