QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0087) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (L&CA 92) asked:

How many asylum seekers have been released under community detention arrangements in total in 2012-13 to date?

Answer:

As at 11 February 2013, 2,197 irregular maritime arrivals had been approved for community detention since 1 July 2012.