

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0141) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

Please account for the whereabouts of each of the 32,795 IMAs who have arrived in Australia since November 2007 as at 11 February 2013: How many are currently at the Manus Island offshore processing centre? (a) How many have received an adverse security assessment? (b) How many have voluntarily returned home?

Answer:

As at COB 11 February 2013 there were 274 Irregular Maritime Arrivals at the regional processing centre on Manus Island. Of those nil had received an adverse security assessment.

As at COB 11 February 2013 there were nil IMAs who had been transferred to Manus Island and had subsequently returned home voluntarily.

* According to DIAC operational data as at 11 February 2013.