

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 22 MAY 2006

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(239) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Nettle asked:

1. Have any people been released under the category “released not unlawful” since the figure of 27 was released during February 2006 Estimates?
2. If so, how many? Please provide a breakdown of their age, nationality and length of detention.
3. Have these cases been referred to the Ombudsman?

Answer:

1.-2. No.

3. Consistent with the Minister’s undertaking, all cases using the system descriptor “released not unlawful” are referred to the Ombudsman.