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Senator Nettle (L&C 143 and written) asked:

What is the cost of the community housing on Nauru?

Answer:

The anticipated cost of the community housing for the two Iraqi men in Nauru is around \$130,000 for construction and site development in the first year, then approximately \$5,000 in land lease costs. Some additional costs will be incurred for ongoing maintenance of the dwelling.