

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 28 - 29 MAY 2008**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(97) Output 1.5: Detention**

Senator Ellison asked:

Regarding the Christmas Island detention facility, has the site been formally handed over by the Department of Finance and Deregulation to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship?

(i) If so, on what date did this occur?

(ii) If not, when is it expected that this will happen?

*Answer:*

The physical asset was transferred to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship on 7 April 2008.