

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0163) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash (L&C 97) asked:

How many are being detained awaiting involuntary return to countries other than Afghanistan?

Answer:

As at 20 May 2011, 19 Irregular Maritime Arrival clients had received a negative review outcome and had not sought Judicial Review within the appeal timeframe. These people have not sought voluntary departure and are thus liable for involuntary removal.