

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 24 MAY 2011**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE11/0259) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Cash asked:

What is DIAC's role in determining how many unaccompanied minors each not for profit will provide services for?

*Answer:*

The Australian Red Cross manages the care and welfare of unaccompanied minors in community detention through a range of sub-contracted arrangements for live in care.

Organisations have arrangements directly with the Red Cross for the number of unaccompanied minors they will care for. Red Cross advises the Department of available properties, and their capacity, for unaccompanied minor care and the Department recommends placements accordingly.

Life Without Barriers provides care and support services to all unaccompanied minors accommodated within immigration detention facilities located on the mainland.