

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0289) Program 3.1: Border Management

Senator Cash asked:

On average how long have those awaiting removal been held in detention following their negative decision?

Answer:

As at 20 May 2011, the average number of days an IMA awaiting removal had spent in detention since receiving a negative review determination is 75 days. This number does not include clients who have sought judicial review as they are not available for removal while those court processes are under way.