QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0325) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash asked:

In relation to Serco being sanctioned for any of escapes or incidents involving detainees in detention centres in each of the past 4 years, what was the sanction applied in each case?

Answer.

Under the Detention Services Contract, an abatement, which is a financial sanction, is applied when the Detention Services Provider fails to meet the minimum performance standard required under the contract.