

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0350) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

I refer to QoN 195 from the February Additional Estimates, which asked about reportable incidents in each SERCO managed detention facility, whether the incidents were investigated and what the costs were associated with repairs to damage as a result of those incidents. The Department advised that from 1 July 2010 – 28 February 2011, there were 850 critical and 794 major incidents at detention facilities managed by SERCO. In this question, the Department advised that \$375,000 has been spent as a result of client damage at sites between 1 July 2010 and 1 March 2011. Please provide updated figures so as to include damage resulting from recent riots at Christmas Island and Villawood detention centres.

Answer:

The estimated cost for the financial year 2010-11 is approximately \$9.0 million.