

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0351) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

I refer to the answer given to QoN 199 from the February Additional Estimates, which states that “73 Serco employees, across different immigration detention facilities, have been accused of inappropriate conduct”. Please provide details of each of these 73 allegations – gender of both parties involved, nature of the complaint, complaint resolution, date of complaint, date of resolution of complaint.

Answer:

Serco has been asked to provide further breakdown of the 73 allegations. The Department has regularly sought updates on progress but to date Serco has been unable to provide accurate breakdown information. The Department will continue to pursue information from Serco.