

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 24 MAY 2011**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(BE11/0446) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network**

**Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Cash asked:

What capacity has the department recommended to the Government as being sufficient to accommodate the number of arrivals occurring under their policies? 6,000? 8,000? 10,000?

*Answer:*

For the financial year 2011/12 the Department has been funded for 750 Irregular Maritime Arrivals.