

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 24 MAY 2011**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(BE11/0480) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Cash asked:

In relation to damages to facilities caused by people in community detention, what was the cost of repairs for the damage?

*Answer:*

The Red Cross is authorised to spend up to \$450 in property maintenance costs following the departure of a client from a community detention property.

Depending on the circumstances of the damage, clients may be required to recompense the Red Cross for the costs to repair the damage.

Current invoices are not itemised to a level of detail that would allow the costs of minor repairs to be provided.