

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0505) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash (L&CA 109) asked:

Are DIAC staff able to pick up the phone and dial wherever they want to dial?

Answer:

Department of Immigration and Citizenship staff at immigration detention facilities are able to make telephone calls to anyone within Australia, but centre manager approval is required for overseas calls.