

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0529) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash (L&CA 102) asked:

Even if the police do not pursue charges in relation to the assault, what is DIAC's responsibility here?

Answer:

The operation of all immigration detention facilities (including security) is the responsibility of the Detention Services Provider under the terms of the contract with the Department.

Various options may be considered to reduce the occurrence of such incidents including individual counselling, the establishment of behavioural management plans and review of client placements.