

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 24 MAY 2011**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(BE11/0712) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network**

**Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Michaelia Cash (L&CA 36) asked:

In relation to the people who have arrived since the announcement on 7 May 2011, how many have raised a protection claim?

*Answer:*

Individuals who were taken to Christmas Island following the Government's announcement of 7 May 2011 are currently in the process of having their refugee claims assessed.