

PREAMBLE FOR OEPs [Interviewer: To be read to all persons]

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If on the basis of the information that you provide or is otherwise available to the Australian Government it is found that you should be allowed to remain in Australia then you will be advised about how your case will proceed in due course. Alternatively you may be liable to be taken to a regional processing country.

If it is found that you do not have a valid reason to be allowed to remain in Australia then you will be considered for removal. If a decision is made that you can be removed you are expected to comply with that removal.

You should understand that there are significant penalties for providing false or misleading information to a migration officer in the course of their duty. Any false or misleading information that you provide could also raise doubts about the reliability of what you have said.

PREAMBLE FOR NON-OEPs [Interviewer: To be read to all persons]

[Note: The proclamation of the Migration Amendment (Unauthorised Maritime Arrivals and Other Measures) Act 2012 is currently scheduled for 1 June 2013, at which time all non-citizens who enter Australia by irregular maritime means without a visa in effect will be liable for transfer to a regional processing country.]

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