QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0337) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

Where in the network has tent accommodation been used to expand capacity? For how long have tents been in place?

Answer:

During the past 12 months, marquees have been erected at Christmas Island only. Three marquees were erected at Phosphate Hill in 2010. These are only used as accommodation in times of surge.