

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0406) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many crew members of SIEVs have been removed from Australia and to where? (breakdown by financial year since 07-08)

Answer:

In the 2007-08 program year, no Irregular Maritime Arrival (IMA) crew members were removed.

In the 2008-09 program year, 11 IMA crew members were removed to Indonesia.

In the 2009-10 program year, 14 IMA crew members were removed to Indonesia and one to Sri Lanka.

In the 2010-11 program year, 61 IMA crew members were removed to Indonesia.

In the 2011-12 program year, 311 IMA crew members were removed to Indonesia and two to Vietnam.

In the 2012-13 program year as at 26 May 2013, 646 IMA crew members were removed to Indonesia and 49 to Sri Lanka.