

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE13/0413) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution**

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many children have arrived as IMAs since 2008 to the current date? How many have been unaccompanied minors? How many of those were subject to an age determination process? How many were found to be older than 18 years of age as a result of that process or other information?

*Answer:*

According to DIAC systems data, between 1 January 2008 and 28 May 2013, there have been 7047 people who identified themselves at time of arrival as being under 18. Of the 7047 people, 3366 people were unaccompanied minors.

During the same period, a total of 1491 unaccompanied minors had undergone an age determination assessment with 754 persons found to be adults.