

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0478) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

What is the average time spent by IMAs detained on Cocos and Keeling Islands before transfer?

Answer:

According to DIAC operational data as at COB 28 May 2013, the average length of time an Irregular Maritime Arrival spent on Cocos Keeling Island before transfer was two days.