QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

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Senator Nettle asked:

Does that vary between detention centres? If so, why does it vary?

Answer:

Since May 2004 the rate is set at the same amount as all onshore detention facilities are used as a network. This enables the Department to accommodate the detainee's needs.

Christmas Island is charged at a different rate due to the remote location. These rates are currently under review.