

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 19 OCTOBER 2010**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(304) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network**

Senator Cash asked:

Does the department or the government have any further plans to expand existing detention facilities on the mainland? If so when and where and at what are the costs involved?

*Answer:*

A range of accommodation options are being considered, in line with prudent contingency planning, however, no final decisions have been made.

Should decisions about additional accommodation be made, these would be announced by the Government.