

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 17 OCTOBER 2011**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(SE11/0272) Program 2.1: Irregular Maritime Arrivals**

Senator Cash:

Number of detainees in detention: Of the detainees in the various detention facilities that are asylum seekers transferred from Christmas Island, how many of those have had health, character and security checks?

*Answer:*

According to DIAC systems as at COB 16 October 2011, 4042 people were in immigration detention facilities on the mainland, of which 697 had been found to be a refugee. Of these, 646 had completed health checks, 474 had completed character checks and 288 had completed security checks.