

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 17 OCTOBER 2011

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(SE11/0274) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Cash asked:

Jandakot airport: What was the minimum and maximum "risk rating" of those asylum seekers sent to Jandakot Airport Chalets prior to having had ASIO security assessment?

*Answer:*

Accommodation at the Jandakot Airport Chalets was established to support primarily short stay medical cases; and only for longer stays where there was a medical need.

Serco must ensure that a People in Detention Security Risk Assessment has been reviewed and updated prior to the transfer of clients within the Detention Services Network. Details of known management and behaviour issues concerning individual clients are identified as part of this assessment prior to an asylum seeker having had an ASIO security assessment.

The level of security services provided by Serco at Jandakot Airport Chalets was based on the individual security risk assessments of clients. Serco was required to provide sufficient staff to ensure a safe and secure environment as well as be able to meet all of its contractual obligations.

The risk rating of those asylum seekers sent to Jandakot Airport Chalets cannot be disclosed for privacy reasons.