

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE11/0351) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (L&CA written) asked: Please outline the level of security provided at Jandakot Airport Chalets including the security staff to detainee ratios.

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.

The level of security services provided 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 Serco contract is an outputs-based contract and it does not specify staff to detainee ratios.