QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0427A) PROGRAM – 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash (written) asked:

Suspension of claims for IMAs arriving post-13 August 2012: Can the Department confirm that all IMAs coming on boats post 13 August 2012 have had the processing of their asylum claims suspended? When was the decision to suspend their claims made?

Answer:

The processing of claims for post 13 August 2012 Irregular Maritime Arrivals have not been suspended.