

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-14 hearings**  
**LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**  
**Immigration and Border Protection Portfolio**

Question Number	Program	Senator	Broad Topic	Question	Date	Proof Hansard (Date and page number) or Written
SE13/0001	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Public Service Commission	Senator CARR: This is all new. You have not been advised as to what the reporting requirement is? Mr Plowman: If we have been advised, I have not got that advice yet. Senator CARR: Could you take that on notice, please. Could I also ask on notice what the role of the Australian Public Service Commissioner will be in the approval process.	19 November 2013	L&CA 10-11
SE13/0003	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Seselja	MRT-RRT	Senator SESELJA: What is the range of grounds? Are you able to provide, perhaps on notice, in relation to those 83 the grounds for providing those remissions to the department? Mr Ransome: Yes, we can that on notice. As I said to Senator Boyce, the circumstances, because of their very nature, do not relate to systemic issues but to concerns that are particular to the circumstances of the individual. One of the examples that I gave was the honour-killing example. We can take that on notice and will try to group matters together for you.	19 November 2013	L&CA 11
SE13/0004	ACBPS	Senator Carr	Public Service Commission	Senator KIM CARR: Perhaps I could ask Minister Cash: have you provided Customs with any advice that they are in fact exempted from that memorandum that has been sent to all government agencies, or all public sector agencies? [...] Senator KIM CARR: Minister, what is the basis of your understanding? Has there been a decision of government? Senator Cash: My understanding is on the information that has been provided in relation to the coalition's policy statement, but I will take that question on notice for you. Senator CARR: Could you indicate to the committee if a decision has been taken and on what date that decision was taken? Senator CASH: I will take that question on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 20
SE13/0005	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Term "Illegal"	Mr Bowles: In a letter from the minister to me Senator CARR: Which minister? Mr Bowles: Minister Morrison. Senator CARR: What was the date of the letter? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice. I cannot remember exactly but it was some time after the election, obviously.	19 November 2013	L&CA 21
SE13/0006	ACBPS	Senator Seselja	BPC budget	Senator SESELJA: What was the budget for Customs' contribution to Border Protection Command of the past four years? How much of your budget is devoted to those kind of activities? Mr Pezzullo: I will see if Mr Groves has a breakdown. Do we have an attributable breakdown by function for BPC? Mr Groves: I don't have it with me. We might have to take that one notice, regarding the last four years. It would cover both our Border Protection Command area within Customs but also our maritime division that provides all of the assets and staffing.	19 November 2013	L&CA 26
SE13/0007	ACBPS	Senator Hanson-Young	BPC budget	Mr Pezzullo: We already had a highly classified, secure working premises where BPC currently works, so it made extension of those premises for General Campbell's purposes a logical thing to do. But I will need to come back to you on the detail about how much that has cost me, how many FTE that are involved and so on and so forth.	19 November 2013	L&CA 28
SE13/0008	ACBPS	Senator Carr	Border clearance statistics	Senator CARR: I will just take it that if those answers are not given I am putting to you a question on notice of the number who have been processed by your service.	19 November 2013	L&CA 31
SE13/0010	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Staffing	Senator CARR: It might save the committee a bit of time if you could provide the committee with a breakdown of all the costs, including the costs of staff time, associated with the machinery-of-government changes. Mr Bowles: I will take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 38
SE13/0011	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Non-ongoing employment	Senator Carr: Of the 856 [non-ongoing employees], how many people are on contracts that expire this year? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice. I do know of our non-ongoings - I do not know whether we have that by month	19 November 2013	L&CA 39
SE13/0012	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Minister's office budget	Senator CARR: With regard to the ministerial office budgets, what is the amount that has been provided as the ministerial budget? Mr Bowles: We will get that information if we can and I will come back to you as soon as I can. Someone will be looking for it now.	19 November 2013	L&CA 40
SE13/0013	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Discretionary grants	Senator CARR: How many discretionary grants programs does the department operate? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice. Most of those went with the settlement and multicultural affairs area, from memory. But I can take that on notice. Senator CARR: Is it the case that the department has any left? Mr Bowles: I do not believe we would have any left, but I will take that on notice. Most of our discretionary arrangements were in the settlement and multicultural affairs. I will come back to you on notice if there is any correction to that.	19 November 2013	L&CA 41

SE13/0014	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Costs for IMAs	<p>Senator CARR: Were you asked specifically in relation to the costs for maritime arrivals?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to check on that. I cannot remember. There were quite a number of them through that time. I would imagine, though, it would be one of them.</p> <p>Senator CARR: Are you able to provide that advice to the committee? Mr Bowles: Someone will be looking for that right now for me.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 42
SE13/0016	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Macdonald	Peter O'Neill	<p>CHAIR: I am wondering what you say to the claim by Mr O'Neill in the PNG parliament that 'it is alarming to note that our Papua New Guinea business men and women are not given the opportunity to participate, and that was the whole intention of setting up this centre in the first place'.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I think there is probably a little bit of confusion about two issues. Mr Cormack can give you the numbers of locals engaged in a minute. On the broader issue of going to the market for contracts, anyone can apply under those arrangements. I am not sure which PNG companies have applied.</p> <p>CHAIR: Was that part of the deal? Was that a deal made between the government and the PNG—</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I think there was always an expectation. I cannot recall that there was any specific deal, such as you have to have X number of these people or these contracts in it.</p> <p>Chair: Perhaps you could take on notice to report back to me on whether there was a deal and, if so, what it was - not what was promised or what was not promised</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 46
SE13/0018	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Hanson-Young	Immigration clearance	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: From that 857 people who have been refused entry so far this financial year, do you have a breakdown of their nationalities?</p> <p>Mr Allen: I would have to take the nationality on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 47-48
SE13/0019	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Streamlined visa processing	<p>Senator CARR: I go to the issue of the streamlined visa processing announcement that the government has made. Mr Secretary, you have drawn attention to it in your statement. Which institutions have been invited to apply for the streamlined visa processing?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not have that with me. I can take that on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 49
SE13/0020	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Streamlined visa processing	<p>Senator CARR: Yes. Was there a position in recent times with an assessment level risk process determined list of registered CRICOS providers with a low risk score of two or less?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: I do not have that information with me. I would have to take that on notice. I was not around at that time.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 50
SE13/0021	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Non-university providers	<p>Senator CARR: Are you able to tell me how many non-university providers are actually operating at the moment?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: No. I would have to take that on notice. I do not have an exact number.</p> <p>Senator CARR: Can you indicate what percentage of that 1,030 are regarded by the department of immigration as low risk?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: I can take that on notice.[...]</p> <p>Senator CARR: Have they been consulted in regard to the selection of the 22 institutions?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: I understand so. I will confirm</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 51
SE13/0022	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Hanson-Young	Response to JSC on disability	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many applications are currently on foot that would be impacted by the current restrictions?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you also take on notice how many ministerial interventions have there been in relation to this issue since the report was handed down in 2010?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: We can look probably generally at ministerial interventions where the ground for refusal was against the health criterion, not necessarily specifically around net benefit [...]</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: What is the process for when a country goes on that list or comes off?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I cannot speak to the detail.</p> <p>Mr Fleming: It is a regular calculation of looking at the people who come from those countries and their level of compliance or otherwise with the conditions of their visa. My understanding is that the report on the web explains the methodology, and we can include that.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 54
SE13/0023	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Hanson-Young	Modified non-return countries	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Has that list changed in the last six months?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have take that on notice</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 54
SE13/0025	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Offshore humanitarian program	<p>Senator CARR: I am interested in how many places have already been filled of that 11,000 and you are giving me figures going back to September.</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I can take that on notice. I do not have that with me. [...] Mr Larkins: We granted 1,200 onshore protection visas and, of those, 539 went to people who had arrived by boat.</p> <p>Senator Carr: How many of those were from Indonesia?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I do not have that with me. I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator CARR: Malaysia?</p> <p>Ms Larkin: Again, I do not have that detail with me.</p> <p>Senator CARR: Can you take that on notice, please.</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I will.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 57
SE13/0026	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Coptic Christians	<p>Senator CARR: How many Coptic Christians will be granted out of Egypt this year?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I do not have the detail on the planning levels yet. We could give you the detail of the numbers of grants last year. I would have to find those.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 58

SE13/0027	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	TPVs	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many people have been issued a temporary protection visas since 18 September?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: Three.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Were those people previously on bridging visas?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I do not think I have that detail.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice. It is highly likely.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Of the 22,900 people on bridging visas, how many have work rights?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will see if we can get that figure for you. Obviously, they are the ones before—</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I would like to know how many have work rights, how many do not, out of the 22,900.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: From memory, I think it is around a 6,000; but we will confirm that. Ms Pope is here, so she will be able to confirm that.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Kate Pope, First Assistant Secretary, Community Programs and Children Division.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: If I could perhaps keep going through my questions.</p> <p>Ms Pope: I can answer that straightway. Of the roughly 22,900 in the community—I am sorry; I have only got it for the number granted, not for the number that are still in the community. Of the 27,400 granted, 9,868 had work rights; 17,535 were post 13 August and did not have work rights.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So 17,000 effectively.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Yes, but some of those would not still be in the community, because that is the total number granted since November 2011. So it is 5,000 different to the number that are still in the community.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you take that on notice and get those updated figures.</p> <p>CHAIR: I am sorry, Senator Hans-Young, your time has finished. Senator Boyce.</p> <p>Ms Pope: I can take it on notice, Senator.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 59-60
SE13/0028	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Boyce	Uzair Karrar	<p>Senator BOYCE: I want to raise one particular issue regarding a particular person called Uzair Karrar, who is an 18-year-old Hazara with nephrotic syndrome, who is currently in Villawood and who has been there for some time, despite the fact that the refugee groups understand that he has a protection visa and is waiting to be placed with his cousin in Sydney. Could anyone explain to me why this has not happened, despite the fact that nephrotic syndrome is quite a debilitating condition.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Senator, I would have to take that on notice. I do not know of the specific case, and it is not normally something we speak quite publicly about. But I am happy to follow it up for you.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 60
SE13/0029	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Rhiannon	Fear of persecution	<p>Senator Rhiannon: How many people have sought protection at the Australian High Commission since 2009 on the basis that they have a well-founded fear of persecution or for another humanitarian reason, and how many Sri Lankan people have been provided a humanitarian visa through the Australian high commission in Colombo in the last four years?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice and refer to my colleague in Foreign Affairs to see from their perspective as well as ours.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 60
SE13/0030	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Seselja	Complementary Protection Visas	<p>Ms Larkins: I am saying that we would consider character and security issues as part of the visa grant, and I do not have more detailed information with me. And we do not keep that level of information.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: Once that decision is made by the department, that is then appellable where?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: A decision to grant or a decision to refuse?</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: A decision to refuse.</p> <p>Ms Larkins: It would depend on the grounds for refusal. It would either be to a court or to the AAT, depending on whether we are using character provisions or other provisions of the act.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: So how many of those decisions to refuse have been appealed in the last—</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I do not have any data with me on people where there have been CGT grounds where we have refused. I would have to go and look at it.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: You will take that on notice?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I have only got those who have been granted.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 61
SE13/0031	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	On-water rescues	<p>Senator KIM CARR: I have just got the report here in front of me that Maritime Safety Authority officers consider that people smugglers could still get real-time information about on-water rescues coordinated by Australian authorities. Could you confirm that?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I would ask if our representative from the Australian Maritime Safety Authority could join me at the table to provide clarification for you of exactly what it is that is provided. He is not here at the moment, but I believe he is coming.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: It is the joy of estimates!</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: Indeed. I am very happy to get back to that.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 67
SE13/0032	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	<p>Senator KIM CARR: I think we both get the gist of what is being said here. Could I ask you, in regard to the change in the arrival patterns, how many people since 7 September are currently in immigration detention in Australia?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Since 7 September?</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Yes.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: In the onshore environment, there would properly be some in Darwin who might have been direct arrivals in Darwin. I would have to get that number for you.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 76
SE13/0033	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Arrivals	<p>Senator KIM CARR: There was a boat that tied up at the wharf last week, was there not?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I cannot recall. I can take that on notice. There would be a small number that would have arrived directly through Darwin. There may be a small number who are receiving medical treatment, but everyone else is either on Manus Island, Nauru or Christmas Island.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 76

SE13/0034	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	Senator KIM CARR: How many women, how many children and how many unaccompanied minors are in immigration detention who are in Australia, who have arrived since 7 September and who have arrived by boat? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 76
SE13/0035	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Single adult males	Senator KIM CARR: Since 7 September, how many people have been transferred to Manus Island with the same criteria: how many are women, how many are under 18 and how many are minors. Mr Bowles: I can tell you that since 7 September there have been no women transferred to Manus Island. They are single adult males. There have been some people who had claimed to be adults that have subsequently claimed to be minors that we have dealt with and returned— Senator KIM CARR: Sure. That is the usual. How many are in that category? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice. It is a small number, though, Senator.	19 November 2013	L&CA 77
SE13/0036	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Arrivals	Senator KIM CARR: Of the people who arrived by boat in September, October and November, how many arrivals were women and how many had children? Mr Bowles: I can take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 77
SE13/0037	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Unaccompanied minors	Senator KIM CARR: How many children were unaccompanied minors? Mr Bowles: Same again.	19 November 2013	L&CA 77
SE13/0038	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Somalian arrivals	Senator KIM CARR: How many from Somalia have arrived last week? Mr Bowles: I can take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 77
SE13/0039	3.1: Border Management	Senator Carr	Unaccompanied minors	Senator KIM CARR: I will rephrase the question. I refer you to the <i>Sydney Morning Herald</i> of 15 November, where it was claimed that immigration officials forced 12- and 14-year-olds—unaccompanied Sri Lankan children—onto a plane to return home. And I would ask you, was that report correct? Mr Bowles: That was part of one of our screening exercises where the people from that particular vessel did not engage our obligations and they were returned to Sri Lanka. For any unaccompanied minors who are sent back there are a whole range of things put in place at the Sri Lankan end to deal with this. It is consistent with what we have been doing since about October 2012. [...] Senator KIM CARR: They were subjected to an enhanced screening process. Were they advised of their rights to seek asylum? Ms Larkins: I do not have that. Senator KIM CARR: Could you take that on notice, please? Ms Larkins: Certainly.	19 November 2013	L&CA 79-80
SE13/0040	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Pregnancy	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you tell me how many pregnant women are being detained on Christmas Island? Mr Skill: I cannot say. We will have to take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 82
SE13/0041	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	IHMS	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Has IHMS given any advice to the department in relation to the accommodation of pregnant women? Mr Bowles: I would have to take something as specific as that on notice. They provide advice to us on a range of issues all the time. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Has IHMS given you any advice, as a matter of practice, on the appropriate accommodation of pregnant women? Mr Bowles: I will take the specifics on notice, but we rely on IHMS as our medical provider for all things to do with people in detention.	19 November 2013	L&CA 83
SE13/0042	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	IHMS	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you also take on notice whether IHMS has given any advice as to what the health risks are of keeping pregnant women detained in Nauru? Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice, but we have relied on advice to do what we have done to date.	19 November 2013	L&CA 84
SE13/0043	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Christmas Island	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Can you confirm whether it is correct that a mother has been transferred from Christmas Island to Darwin and her three children under the age of 12 have remained on Christmas Island. Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Thank you. Would that be a scenario that would occur, though? Mr Bowles: We will take that on notice. I cannot comment on a specific case like that.	19 November 2013	L&CA 84
SE13/0044	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Is it correct there was an unaccompanied minor on Christmas Island who attempted to take his own life in August and who was medevac'd to Perth? Mr Bowles: I will take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 84
SE13/0045	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you please take on notice, in relation to a young boy who was medevac'd to Perth, whether the minister is still his responsible guardian. Mr Bowles: If that boy is in the care of immigration, the minister is the guardian, as would normally be the case. But, as I said, I will take anything further on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 84-85

SE13/0046	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Seselja	Detention statistics	<p>Senator SESELJA: I have just one question. Senator Hanson-Young asked a question at the beginning of her time just then about how many men, women and children are being held in detention at the moment. Could you provide figures for us, as at the beginning of 2008—just after the Rudd government came in—how many men, women and children were in detention at that time.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I will take it on notice but, needless to say, there were very few people in detention in 2008 and we had a period of no arrivals for a large part of 2008. I will take on notice the specifics of how many there were, but there were very few.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 85
SE13/0047	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Operation Sovereign Borders	<p>Senator KIM CARR: How much is being spent on the current functions that are being undertaken as part of this new program? What is the current appropriation for the functions that have been undertaken by the 16 agencies that are part of the Operation Sovereign Borders?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Again, I do not have that information to hand.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Can you take that on notice?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice, but let me just say: it is not amalgamated into a single budget. The budgets relate to the departments concerned, and that is where they will stay.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 87
SE13/0048	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Singh	Operation Sovereign Borders	<p>Senator SINGH: But Operation Sovereign Borders is already in place.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It is.</p> <p>Senator SINGH: Can you provide us with an aggregate figure?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It is using the resources of the 16 departments and agencies that are involved, of which my portfolio—which is the Customs and Border Protection and the Immigration and Border Protection areas—</p> <p>Senator SINGH: I understand that, but what is the aggregate figure thus far, since it has been in place?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I will take aggregates on notice. But what I am saying to you is, the final arrangements will come forward in MYEFO. So whatever I give now will not be correct. I will take it on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 87-88
SE13/0049	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Operation Sovereign Borders	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Lieutenant General, do you know the aggregate figure?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: The aggregate figure across all of the departments: no, I don't. That would have been the figure that was appropriated through the last budget process—</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Yes, it would.</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: and appropriated across a very wide range of agencies and departments.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Can you take on notice: what is the aggregate figure of your current budget arrangements?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 88
SE13/0050	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Mr Bowles, this might be more appropriate for you, but I am conscious that it is in direct relation to the Lieutenant General. What was the process of appointing the Lieutenant General to the head of Operation Sovereign Borders?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: That would be a question best asked of Defence. The minister might be able to shed some light, but ultimately Lieutenant General Campbell was appointed by the CDF. If I recall the minister's comment at the time, he said he would take the advice of the CDF on the appointment of a person to run the joint agency task force.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Minister, do you have anything to add to that?</p> <p>Senator Cash: I do not. I would have to take it on notice to get any further answer for you.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 92
SE13/0051	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Guardianship	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So, effectively, in the detention centre on Nauru these children have no delegated guardian as they would if they were on Christmas Island?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I think that is right, but I would prefer to take the detail of that on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 95
SE13/0052	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Transfer arrangements	<p>Senator Cash: My understanding, for the benefit of the committee, is that the transfer arrangements will be settled with Sri Lanka by the minister, as I have stated, and they will be made under the existing memorandum of understanding with Sri Lanka—</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Could we have a copy of that existing memorandum?</p> <p>Senator Cash: under which the previous government offered to provide surveillance equipment to Sri Lanka.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Can we have a copy of that memorandum?</p> <p>Senator Cash: We will take the question on notice. Thank you, Senator Carr.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: What measures are in place to ensure the integrity of such arrangements, if it is consistent with the current MOU?</p> <p>Senator Cash: We will take that question on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 99
SE13/0054	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Serco	<p>Senator KIM CARR: With regard to reports of staff on Christmas Island being dismissed by Serco due to fraternising with detainees, are you able to advise the committee about those reports?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Yes. I cannot give all the details but, in a broad sense, Serco responded to allegations around inappropriate behaviour on a range of issues. In my view they responded appropriately and the particular staff member was dismissed.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: One?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I think it was only one, in the end. I can take that on notice and clarify. I do not have the report with me. I spoke to the CEO—I think that is what he is called; or is it managing director?—on the weekend about the issue. He immediately acted and the particular individual that I was talking about was dismissed.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 108-109

SE13/0055	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Singh	TPV's	Senator SINGH: When temporary protection visas were last in place, during the previous coalition government, how many were subsequently refused a further visa on the basis that they were no longer refugees at the time of the decision on their application? Mr Bowles: We will have to take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 113
SE13/0056	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Singh	Processing of IMAs	Senator SINGH: This obviously then means that there is a kind of inbuilt delay in the processing of maritime arrivals. In a sense it penalises them over those who arrive by air. You have similar TPV outcomes for both and yet one lot are being—do you see what I am trying to say? Ms Larkins: Yes, I do, but I think it would be good to take it on notice. I could speculate about what is in the fact sheet and the reasons for the policy, but it would be better for us to take it on notice and come back to you.	19 November 2013	L&CA 114
SE13/0057	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Rhiannon	Enhanced screening process	Senator RHIANNON: Is the department aware of any asylum seekers who have returned to Australia from Sri Lanka after being removed as a consequence of the enhanced screening process? Mr Bowles: Sorry, can you repeat that—'if they have returned to Australia after being removed'? Senator RHIANNON: 'Who have returned to Australia from Sri Lanka after being removed as a consequence of the enhanced screening process'. So they have come— Mr Bowles: And been taken home and then come back again? My recollection is: there is a small number. I will take it on notice, though, to give you an accurate figure.	19 November 2013	L&CA 116
SE13/0058	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Rhiannon/Macdonald	Screening in and out	Ms Larkins: Yes. Based on the four complaints that we have had raised with Australian government agencies that have been investigated, we do not have any substantiated evidence of torture of anyone we have returned. CHAIR: How do you substantiate the evidence? Do you have people on the ground in Sri Lanka? Ms Larkins: Again, these will not be investigations that we will have undertaken. They will have been undertaken by other agencies, so I would need to take that on notice. Senator RHIANNON: Can you take on notice who the other agencies are, in general, and, with regard to the four complaints, who supplied you with that information? Ms Larkins: Certainly.	19 November 2013	L&CA 117
SE13/0059	3.1: Border Management	Senator Rhiannon	Screening in and out	Senator RHIANNON: Just going back to the first question I asked: you gave me the response about 2,745 interviews out of 3,072 people. Of that number, how many have been screened in and how many have been screened out? Ms Larkins: I do not have the details of screen in and screen out. I do have the number of removals. Of that 3,072 people, 1,191 have been removed up to 31 October. Senator RHIANNON: Could you take on notice the number who have been screened in and screened out, please? Ms Larkins: Sure.	19 November 2013	L&CA 117
SE13/0060	3.1: Border Management	Senator Rhiannon	Voluntary returnees	Dr Southern: In this financial year, 12 IMAs have returned voluntarily to Sri Lanka. Senator RHIANNON: And how many have returned involuntarily—take away 12 from 1,191? Dr Southern: No. That figure was from October 2012 to October this year. The 12 voluntary returns is just in this financial year, from July 2013 to the present. Senator RHIANNON: Can you give us figures so I can compare it? Dr Southern: Perhaps I will give you two financial year figures. For 2012-13 there were 1,056 involuntary returns and 159 voluntary returns. To date this financial year there have been 12 voluntary returns and 140 involuntary. Senator RHIANNON: For both those sets of figures, could you give me the figures on how many were unaccompanied minors, for the voluntary and involuntary in those financial years? Dr Southern: Certainly. We can take that on notice.	19 November 2013	L&CA 118
SE13/0061	3.1: Border Management	Senator Rhiannon	Sri Lankan returnees	Senator RHIANNON: My question actually was: have any UMAs been returned to Sri Lanka as a result of the policy without having their personal items returned to them? Are you confident in your reply? [...] Senator RHIANNON: Have there been any cases where the property has been returned to another person by mistake? Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice, Senator. Again, it is tagged in front of them and if there were things got confused in the process it is usually confused amongst individuals at a point in time when this exercise happens, but I can take it on notice. Senator RHIANNON: I think there are those incidents where your people get confused about who they are dealing with. Thank you for taking it on notice, and can you also take on notice whether that person has then been returned to Sri Lanka as a result of the enhanced screening process, so that the person has gone back with the wrong documentation.	19 November 2013	L&CA 118

SE13/0062	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Rhiannon	Enhanced screening process	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Does the database where enhanced screenings are stored always list the outcomes of all screening decisions by DIAC officers?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I am not sure whether the database does, but we keep a record of all decisions by DIAC officers.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: How do you keep those records, please?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I am not sure of the form in which we keep them but we record all the decisions made in relation to each case.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: So, it could be on a piece of paper in a manila folder?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: No, in a file.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: But it could be hard copy?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: It could be hard copy, yes.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Do you keep records of reviews, as well?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: Yes, there will be a complete record of decisions for each case.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Could you please take on notice whether it is kept on a database or hard copy or both and what the breakdown is?</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 118-119
SE13/0063	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Rhiannon	Screening in and out	<p>Senator RHIANNON: Have any of the detainees been screened out but moved to a mainland facility and then deported at a later date as a result of their screening outcome?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We would take that on notice, Senator. There are too many variables there to come up with an answer now, so we will take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator RHIANNON: Thank you, and as part of taking that on notice, could you also take on notice whether any detainees have been screened out, moved to a community centre and then deported as a result of their screening outcome? It is pretty similar, but I want to cover all bases.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We will take it on notice. I do not understand that question, but we will analyse that.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 119
SE13/0064	3.1: Border Management	Senator Singh	Protection Visas	<p>Senator SINGH: Regarding people who in the last government were on protection visas and were vulnerable people, what access did they have thereafter for settlement in Australia?</p> <p>Ms Pope: The answer is: to humanitarian settlement services.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice. Once they are granted a protection visa they would have access to the normal humanitarian support service arrangements and go from there. In the previous arrangements, they were on humanitarian support services. Under the TPV arrangements, they will have work rights but they will have access to the Centrelink benefit arrangements. That is the only difference between the two.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 119
SE13/0065	3.1: Border Management	Senator Singh	Community detention	<p>Senator SINGH: How many people were in community detention arrangements on 30 June this year?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 120
SE13/0066	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Singh	Visitor hours	<p>Senator SINGH: What was the rationale behind recent changes in policy to visitor hours at some of the onshore detention facilities such as Villawood?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I do not know. Do you Mr Cahill?</p> <p>Mr M Cahill: No. I will take that on notice. There are some changes made for operational reasons at various times, but they are usually only temporary.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 121
SE13/0067	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Macdonald	School fees	<p>CHAIR: In Western Australia, where you say that some go to Catholic schools and some go to Islamic schools, are they are all paid exactly the same fees?</p> <p>Ms Pope: They are not exactly the same.</p> <p>CHAIR: Why not?</p> <p>Ms Pope: Because it is negotiated with the particular schools. I could take that on notice if you want more detail.</p> <p>CHAIR: I would be interested to know what you pay per student at Catholic schools and if it is the same for every Catholic school, and what you pay for every student at every Islamic school and if it is the same for every Islamic school. If there are differences between this Catholic school and that Catholic school, could you identify that as well, within reason.</p> <p>Ms Pope: I will certainly attempt to. I will take it on notice.</p> <p>CHAIR: If there are a lot of differences, you might give me the ranges and a couple of examples in between.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Certainly.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 121
SE13/0068	Internal Product	Senator Singh	MOG	<p>Mr Bowles: In all of the states they will move in with the Department of Social Services or whatever they call their state or territory offices. They will move in with those. The people who sit in Belconnen at the moment will move to wherever the relevant office is for social services. I do not specifically know exactly where everyone is going to go, but the move at this stage is proposed for around February.</p> <p>Senator SINGH: So there will be a cost with the move?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Yes, there will be a cost.</p> <p>Senator SINGH: I think you told me to go to DSS for the cost.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: DSS will be the major—</p> <p>Senator SINGH: But there will be a cost to your department as well, so I think you could take that on notice.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would not really describe it as costs. We have to transfer the budget of salaries, supplier costs and all of those things to the new department. We can come back to you, on notice, on what that might be and the transfer arrangements. But the actual movement is not a big cost to us. It is a big a cost for a receiving agency. I am talking about costs versus budget transfers.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 122-123

SE13/0069	Internal Product	Senator Macdonald	English-language training	<p>Senator SINGH: What English-language training, if any, is provided to asylum seekers who arrive?</p> <p>Dr Southern: For asylum seekers on bridging visas and in community detention there is access to an allocation of hours of English-language training, which is delivered I think by AMEP contractors, but it is a different part of the contract.</p> <p>CHAIR: Who pays for that?</p> <p>Dr Southern: Our department does.</p> <p>Senator SINGH: Is it a compulsory or an elective thing?</p> <p>Dr Southern: It is elective. It is a limited amount, available to adults in community detention and also on bridging visas.</p> <p>CHAIR: Can you tell me, on notice, how much that is, the total amount?</p> <p>Dr Southern: Yes. I may be able to find it for you right now, but I can certainly take it on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 124
SE13/0070	Internal Product	Senator Singh	Guardianship	<p>Senator SINGH: Ms Pope, are guardians appointed.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Yes. There are guardianship arrangements for unaccompanied minors and also for unaccompanied humanitarian minors. It is a reasonably complicated answer, so I would be happy to take that on notice, but yes, they all have a delegated guardian.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 124
SE13/0071	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Singh	MOG	<p>Senator SINGH: Okay. I know we talked about a section of the department—multicultural affairs—moving out into the Department of Social Services. Will the Building Multicultural Communities Program grants continue? Perhaps it is a question for the minister.</p> <p>Senator Cash: I would need to take that question on notice, Senator Singh.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 125
SE13/0072	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Singh	Citizenship test	<p>Senator SINGH: So we currently do have a test in place for becoming an Australian citizen?</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Mr Fleming: You have to demonstrate your knowledge as part of the course. I do not think it is quite 100 per cent, but there is a reasonably high pass rate of around 90 per cent for people who do the course.</p> <p>Senator SINGH: High distinction?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: That is the percentage of people who undertake the course who are assessed as passing, not that they have to score a high distinction.</p> <p>Senator SINGH: They don't? Right. What do they have to score?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: I am not sure. I will take on notice precisely how it is assessed. But it is not the same as sitting a test. It is through the course. It is a bit like e-learning. If you have ever done any e-learning, you will know that there are various ways of demonstrating that you have understood what has been taught.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 127-128
SE13/0073	Internal Product	Senator Singh	Citizenship	<p>Senator SINGH: Thank you. How many people have dual citizenship with Australia and another country?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: I will take that on notice but I am not sure we can give a definitive answer to that question because it depends on the intricacies. So we will not necessarily know if somebody to whom we grant Australian citizenship as a result of that has lost the citizenship from their country of origin because we do not necessarily know that. So it is not something we can say with any great precision.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 128
SE13/0074	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Singh	Citizenship	<p>Senator SINGH: What other countries allow dual citizenship with Australia?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: There are a number of countries but we would have to take on notice precisely the number of countries.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 128-129
SE13/0075	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Singh	Citizenship	<p>Mr Allen: I have also been advised that we do not have the figure for the average between application and conferral available. We will take that on notice and see if we can get that to you afterwards.</p>		L&CA 129
SE13/0076	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Bilyk	Retirement Visas	<p>How many Retirement (Subclass 410) Visa holders remain in Australia?</p>	21 November 2013	Written
SE13/0077	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Bilyk	Permanent residence	<p>In previous Estimates hearings, when asked about the cost of a pathway to permanent residence the Department has cited the Australian Government Actuary's report for their estimate of the costs. However, the Department has also observed criticisms of the report and mentioned that it is just one source of information. What is the Department's estimate of the cost to the taxpayer of providing a pathway to permanent residence for Retirement Visa holders?</p>	21 November 2013	Written
SE13/0078	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Bilyk	Permanent residence	<p>Is the Government considering providing a pathway to permanent residence for Retirement Visa holders? If yes, what information would the Government be rely on in assessing the financial impact of such a policy?</p>	21 November 2013	Written
SE13/0079	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Hanson-Young	Self-harm	<p>How many incidents of self-harm that have been reported per month at each detention facility (both onshore and offshore facilities), Alternative Place of Detention (APOD) and Immigration Transit Accommodation, for the 2012-2013 financial year and 2013-to date?</p>	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0080	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Hanson-Young	Protection Visas	<p>How many people have been granted Protection Visas for the 2012-2013 financial year and 2013-to date?</p>	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0081	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Hanson-Young	Humanitarian visa stream	<p>How many people have applied for family reunion under the Special Humanitarian Visa stream for the 2012-2013 financial year and 2013-to date? How many boat arrivals apply for protection who already have family in Australia?</p>	25 November 2013	Written



SE13/0082	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Refugee status	Over the past 12 months how many applications for refugee status have been received by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection where the application has been based on a claim for persecution on the grounds of sexual orientation or gender identity. How many of such applications have been refused and how many granted? In each case (granted and refused) please provide the country of origin for the applicant? How many of the applications were appealed to the Refugee Review Tribunal and what were the outcomes of any appeals for the 2012-2013 financial year and 2013-to date. How many of the applications were appealed to the Federal Court and what were the outcomes of any appeals?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0083	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Community Proposal Pilot	How many applications have been received under the Community Proposal Pilot? Does the Department expect that all 500 places will be taken up?  As the Approved Proposing Organisations which are coordinating the application process are based in NSW and Victoria, what access to this program will there be for communities in other states?  With the recent increases in visa application charges for many visas, what were the increases in visa application charges for refugees coming to Australia under the Community Proposal Pilot? Can you give a breakdown of the visas application charges and the others costs you anticipate applicants will need to pay?  As refugee community groups are being encouraged to put forward the names of particular refugees to come to Australia under this pilot program, does the Government believe there is the possibility that communities will be divided over who should be proposed for resettlement? If so, what strategies are being used by the Government to avoid the possibility that this will occur?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0084	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Community detention	With the current detention caseload will people be released on to bridging visas and community detention as was the previous policy?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0085	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Community detention	How many people are currently in community detention or on bridging visas?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0086	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Work rights	Will those currently on bridging visas be given the right to work whilst their applications are being processed?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0087	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Work rights	Will those asylum seekers on bridging visas that currently have the right to work continue to have this right?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0088	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Mutual obligation application	Please provide a copy of the mutual obligations applicable to people on bridging visas.	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0089	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Bridging Visas	The Government has stated they will be putting in a new assessment system for people on bridging visas. Can you please provide details of the new assessment system?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0090	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Detention facility costs	Please provide a unit cost breakdown of all detention facilities (onshore and offshore) APODs, and Immigration Transit Accommodation.	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0091	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Detention facility maintenance	What are the maintenance costs for each detention facility (onshore and offshore) APODs, and Immigration Transit Accommodation for the 2012-13 financial year and 2013- to date?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0092	Internal Product	Senator Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	How many children and unaccompanied minors are currently being detained in detention facilities (onshore and offshore), APODs and Immigration Transit Accommodation?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0093	Internal Product	Senator Hanson-Young	Unaccompanied minors	How many children have been released on to bridging visas? How many of these are unaccompanied minors?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0094	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Hanson-Young	Misconduct	Of those currently detained in immigration detention facilities, how many are "1A met"? For those found to be owed protection but are still being held in a detention facility, please advise the specific reasons people remain held in detention. If these reasons include 'misconduct without charges pending', what are the formal criteria for determining such misconduct?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0095	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Hanson-Young	Contact with media	Are people in detention who make contact with the media being transferred to more remote detention centres?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0096	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Community detention	How many people have been returned to immigration detention centres from the community? Please detail the reasons that people have been re-detained. What assessment is undertaken to determine if someone it to be re-detained?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0097	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Bridging Visas	Have any people be re-detained without charge or conviction? What is done to prevent people on bridging visas from being re-detained because of false information being given to authorities?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0098	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Afghan interpreters humanitarian program	How many people have been granted protection and resettled in Australia under the government's afghan interpreter's humanitarian resettlement program?  Can you please provide details of the assessment and resettlement process?  How many families have been resettled under this program?  How does this program assist the families of those killed in action whilst serving Australian forces?	25 November 2013	Written

SE13/0099	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Hanson-Young	Inverbrackie APOD	Have there been any reviews undertaken about the future of the Inverbrackie Alternative Place of Detention?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0100	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Inverbrackie APOD	How many people are currently being held in Inverbrackie APOD?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0101	Internal Product	Senator Hanson-Young	Inverbrackie APOD	What is the estimated length of time people are held in Inverbrackie APOD?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0102	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Refugee status determination process	Please provide an update on the review of the refugee status determination process that is being undertaken by the Department (in accordance with Recommendation 15 of the Expert Panel on Asylum Seekers)? Will the outcome of this review be made available to the public? Does this review encompass consideration of options relating to the removal of access to merits review in the Refugee Review Tribunal for protection visa applicants who arrive by boat?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0103	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	How many pregnant women are currently detained at each detention facility (onshore and offshore), APOD and Immigration Transit Accommodation?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0104	Internal Product	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	Has the Department received independent advice regarding the conditions and health risks on Manus Island and Nauru? Could you please provide the details of this advice?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0105	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Miscarriage	How many women have miscarried since being transferred to the Nauru and Manus Island detention facilities?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0106	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	What health care, pre-natal and post-natal services are provided to pregnant women in offshore detention facilities?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0107	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	What procedures are in place for women who fall pregnant on Manus Island?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0108	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	What pre-transfer risk assessment processes currently apply to those asylum seekers being sent to offshore detention centres? Do the Departmental Guidelines for Assessment of Persons Prior to Transfer Pursuant to Section 198D(2) of the Migration Act 1958 (2012) issued by the former Government continue to apply?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0109	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	What health and medical checks are undertaken prior to transfer to offshore detention centres?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0110	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	Does the department believe that there is enough time to undertake appropriate health and medical checks, and administer immunisations prior to transfer to offshore detention centres?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0111	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	What checks does the Government undertake in relation to assessing the safety and health of voluntary and involuntary returns?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0112	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	What measures are in place to monitor whether a returnee faces risks of persecution after their return?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0114	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	How does the Department ensure that it has discharged its legal and moral responsibilities under Article 33 of the Refugee convention prior to returning people, particularly those subject to enhanced screening?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0115	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Operation Sovereign Borders	How are determinations made on whether to screen an individual in or out?  What is the individual told about their status?  How does this process differ from the Enhanced Screening of people from Sri Lanka or Vietnam? Please detail the specific information that is given to asylum seekers regarding their rights?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0116	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Boyce	Enabling Australia report	In response to the Enabling Australia report and reforms to the treatment of people with disability in our immigration system, can the Department provide the Committee with an update on progress made on the feasibility study into a net benefit approach undertaken over the past 12 months?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0117	3.1: Border Management	Senator Boyce	Net benefit approach	Can the Department describe how a net benefit approach would consider the economic and social costs and contributions of an individual and a family unit?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0118	Internal Product	Senator Boyce	Net benefit approach	Has the net benefit approach been modelled to apply across all visa classes or are there likely to be exceptions? What are the exceptions?	25 November 2013	Written
SE13/0119	Internal Product	Senator Boyce	NDIS	Given the introduction of the NDIS and the new Commonwealth costing associated with participant plans for individuals with a significant and permanent disability, has there been any consideration of including average annual cost amounts calculated for the NDIS into the calculations of the significant cost threshold to make it more reflective of actual costs in disability?	25 November 2013	Written

SE13/0120	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Assistance to vessels	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Are you able to tell us on how many occasions Customs have been used to render assistance to vessels in Australian waters?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: If your question is a general one that pertains to the period going back to 2008-09, when these vessels really started to arrive after a number of years of absence, the answer would be: in the hundreds. But we can take that on notice.</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Would you be able to provide me with a month-by-month breakdown?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes; I will just confirm that with Admiral Johnston. Can we do stats by month?</p> <p>Rear Adm. Johnston: Yes.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes, I have just conferred with Admiral Johnston. We can do that by month.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Can you provide that information for this year?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes, we should be able to.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: The calendar year, 2013?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes, I do not see any reason why not. These are things in relation to which we keep detailed records.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: So you will be able to provide me with the number of unauthorised maritime arrivals in that period, the number of vessels.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 30
SE13/0121	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	Did the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) know that the Sri Lankan Navy started running whale watching cruises in the Southern Sri Lanka city of Galle on 18th of October 2013 and every weekend thereafter.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0122	ACBPS	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	Does DIBP know who will be using the two patrol boats that Prime Minister Abbott has given to Sri Lanka?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0123	ACBPS	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	Do DIBP know if the two patrol boats that Prime Minister Abbott has given Sri Lanka will be used for whale watching cruises?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0124	ACBPS	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	Will DIBP ensure that the two patrol boats Prime Minister Abbott has given Sri Lanka will NOT be used for whale watching cruises? a. How will you do this?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0125	ACBPS	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	What dealings does the DIBP have with the Sri Lankan Navy?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0126	ACBPS	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	Is DIBP aware of any cases of torture by Sri Lankan Navy?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0127	ACBPS	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	Is DIBP aware that numerous HR organisations and journalists have documented cases of torture, abuse and rape of Tamils by Sri Lankan Government officials?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0128	ACBPS	Senator Rhiannon	ACBPS	How does DIBP ensure that it is not working with any Sri Lankan Government officials that are engaged in activities of rape, torture and abuse of Tamils?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0129	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Rhiannon	Screening in and out	Of those who have returned to Australia from Sri Lanka after having been screened-out and removed to Sri Lanka, how many upon return to Australia have made claims of being detained in Sri Lanka on return?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0130	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Rhiannon	Screening in and out	Of those who have returned to Australia from Sri Lanka after having been screened-out and removed to Sri Lanka, how many upon return to Australia have made claims of being arrested in Sri Lanka on return?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0131	3.1: Border Management	Senator Rhiannon	Screening in and out	Of those who have returned to Australia from Sri Lanka after having been screened-out and removed to Sri Lanka, how many upon return to Australia have made claims of mistreatment during detention in Sri Lanka?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0132		Senator Rhiannon	Quality assurance reporting	A quality assurance report on Departmental decision-making on protection visa applications was provided to the DIBP in August 2013. Has this report resulted in any changes to the Department's methods or procedures for assessing refugee status?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0133	3.1: Border Management	Senator Rhiannon	Tender	Was there a tender process for the provision of services on Nauru and Manus Island by the Salvation Army?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0134	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Rhiannon	Tender	Was there a tender process for the provision of services on Nauru and Manus Island by Save the Children?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0135	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Detention costs	<p>What is the current cost of detention per detainee per day: (a) In immigration detention facilities on mainland facilities?</p> <p>(b) In immigration detention on Nauru and Manus Island?</p> <p>(c) In alternative places of detention? Please provide a breakdown per alternation place of detention.</p> <p>(d) In the community under a residence determination?</p> <p>(e) How many doctors are available to detainees in Manus Island and Nauru at any one time?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0136	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	OPC contractors accreditation	<p>What are the minimum qualifications or standards of accreditation for doctors working in each of the the OPCs [Offshore Processing Centres]?</p> <p>Are they the same as those required by doctors working in Australia?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0137	Internal Product	Senator Rhiannon	Services to detainees	What access do detainees have to psychologists and counsellors in Manus and Nauru?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0138	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Education	<p>Are the children in detained in Nauru currently receiving education? a. How frequently and for what period of time do children go to school?</p> <p>b. In what facilities does schooling take place?</p> <p>c. Are these facilities air conditioned?</p>	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0139	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Amenities	How many toilets are there at each of the areas in Nauru (including Alpha and Bravo) per detainee?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0140	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Amenities	How is water supplied to the OPC on Nauru? a. What has been the cost of this?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0141	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Amenities	How is water supplied to the OPC on Manus? What has been the cost of this?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0142	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Protection claims	How many people liable for transfer to an OPC have either been identified as having protection claims, or have raised protection claims in relation to a regional processing country?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0143	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Protection claims	How many people transferred to Nauru in the period since 13 August 2013 have since been transferred back to Australia? a. Among these people how many have had their protection claims assessed and under the law of which country?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0144	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	UMAs	Since August 2012, how many UMAs have been transferred to Nauru who: a. Are pregnant? b. have an infectious disease? c. have a serious infectious disease? d. have disabilities (physical or mental)? e. are unaccompanied minors?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0145	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Unaccompanied minors	What is the age of the youngest unaccompanied minor transferee to Nauru during this period and. who is their legal guardian?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0146	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Unaccompanied minors	What is the age of the youngest unaccompanied minor transferee to Manus Island during this period and who is their legal guardian?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0147	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Unaccompanied minors	How many transferees, after previously presenting as unaccompanied minors, have been determined to be 18 years or older?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0148	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Legal	Is the Department aware of any legal mechanisms for a transferee to dispute an Australian age assessment after transfer to Nauru or PNG?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0149	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	Document control	The identity and other personal documents of some transferees to Nauru were destroyed in the fire in July. What is the Department doing to assist those affected to obtain copies of the documents that were lost?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0150	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Rhiannon	UMAs	How many UMAs who have arrived since 13 August 2012 have a. have been referred to IAAAS providers for assistance with preparing a protection visa application; b. had the bar lifted and been allowed to make applications for protection visas in Australia?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0151	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Ludwig	Reviews	Since 7 September 2013, how many new Reviews have been commenced? Please list them including: a. the date they were ordered b. the date they commenced c. the minister responsible d. the department responsible e. the nature of the review f. their terms of reference g. the scope of the review h. Whom is conducting the review i. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the review j. the expected report date k. If the report will be tabled in parliament or made public	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0152	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Ludwig	Reviews	For any review commenced or ordered since 7 September 2013, have any external people, companies or contractors being engaged to assist or conduct the review? a. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any known alias or other trading names b. If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or equivalent c. If yes, for each what are the costs associated with their involvement, broken down to each cost item d. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement e. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details. f. If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them g. If yes, for each, who selected them h. If yes, for each, did the minister or their office have any involvement in selecting them, i. If yes, please detail what involvement it was ii. If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list iii. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur iv. If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department v. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0153	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Reviews	Since 7 September 2013, what reviews are on-going? Please list them.	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0154	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Reviews	Since 7 September 2013, have any reviews been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0155	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Reviews	Since Budget estimates, what reviews have concluded? Please list them.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0156	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Reviews	Since 7 September 2013, how many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0158	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Reviews	What reviews are planned? a. When will each planned review be commenced? b. When will each of these reviews be concluded? c. When will government respond to each review? d. Will the government release each review? i. If so, when? ii. If not, why not?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0159	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Commissioned reports	(a) Since 7 September 2013, how many Reports have been commissioned by the Government in your department/agency? Please provide details of each report including date commissioned, date report handed to Government, date of public release, Terms of Reference and Committee members. b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental staff were involved in each report and at what level? c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending to respond to these reports?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0160	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	Have any briefings and/or provision of information have been provided to the Australian Greens? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0161	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Independents? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f) Which Independents have requested briefings and/or information?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0162	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Briefings for other parties	Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to parties other than Labor or the Greens? If yes, please include: a) How are briefings requests commissioned? b) What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefings request been unable to proceed? If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f) Which parties have requested briefings and/or information?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0163	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Appointments	a) Provide an update of the boards within this portfolio, including: board title, terms of appointment, tenure of appointment and members. b) What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio? c) Please detail any board appointments made from 7 September to date	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0164	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Stationery requirements	How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers / Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio from 7 September 2013 to date?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0165	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Media subscriptions	<p>1. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>2. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>3. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>4. What publications does your department/agency purchase?</p> <p>a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.</p> <p>b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) What is provided to the Minister or their office?</p> <p>d) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0166	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Media monitoring	<p>What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the Minister's office from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</p> <p>c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0167	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Media monitoring	<p>What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etcetera, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?</p> <p>b) What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?</p> <p>c) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0168	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Media training	<p>1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date:</p> <p>a) Total spending on these services</p> <p>b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</p> <p>c) The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) The names of all service providers engaged</p> <p>2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under 1(d), please provide:</p> <p>a) The name and nature of the service purchased</p> <p>b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</p> <p>c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>e) The total amount spent on the service</p> <p>f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</p> <p>3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:</p> <p>a) The location used</p> <p>b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion</p> <p>c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</p> <p>d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0169	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Communications staff	<p>For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:</p> <p>By Department or agency:</p> <p>a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location</p> <p>d) How many are graphic designers?</p> <p>e) How many are media managers?</p> <p>f) How many organise events?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0170	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Communications staff	<p>Do any departments/agencies have independent media studios? If yes, why? When was it established? What is the set up cost? What is the ongoing cost? How many staff work there and what are their classifications?</p>	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0171	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Provision of equipment	<p>a) For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?</p> <p>b) For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>c) Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.</p> <p>d) Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0172	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Travel costs	<p>a) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</p> <p>b) For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>c) What travel is planned for the rest of the year from 7 September 2013? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</p> <p>d) What is the policy for business class airfare tickets?</p> <p>e) Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships.</p> <p>f) When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel.</p> <p>g) Does the department/agency elect to offset emissions for employees work related travel? If yes, what is the cost?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0173	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Grants	<p>a) Could the department/agency provide an update list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants from 7 September 2013 to date? Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.</p> <p>b) Have all grant agreement details been published on its website</p> <p>c) Please list all grants that were approved prior to 7 September 2013, but did not have financial contracts in place on 7 September 2013. Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants. Please lists which grant applicants had been contacted advising of their success. Please provide the current status of these grants. Have any of these grants been cancelled, paused, discontinued or cut?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0174	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Government payments of accounts	<p>a) From 7 September 2013 to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)?</p> <p>b) If not, why not? Provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached)</p> <p>c) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?</p> <p>d) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0175	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Consultancies	<p>a) How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.</p> <p>b) How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0176	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Meeting costs	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.</p>	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0177	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	<p>a) What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>b) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>d) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend from 7 September 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>e) What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>f) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.</p> <p>g) What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. h) For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. i) Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0178	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	Has there been a reduction in business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0179	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	Has there been a reduction in the use of external consultants and contractors? Has this impacted on the Department/agency, and how? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0180	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	Provide an update of moving recruitment advertising online. Is any recruitment still in printed materials, and if yes, why? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0181	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	Has the department/agency reduced its printing costs? If no, why not? Have printing costs increased, and if yes why and how much?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0182	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Public Service efficiencies	Has the five per cent savings target been achieved – if yes, how, or if it will not, why not? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0183	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Ministerial office security classifications	What is the policy for ministerial staff security clearances?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0184	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Ministerial office security classifications	How many staffers employed by the government under the MOPS Act have security clearances? a. At what level? b. If not, why not?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0185	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Ministerial office security classifications	How many seconded departmental officers acting in ministerial offices, including DLOs have security clearances? a. At what level? b. If not, why not	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0186	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Executive coaching and leadership training	<p>In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total spending on these services</li> <li>The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification</li> <li>The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>The names of all service providers engaged</li> </ol> <p>For each service purchased from a provider listed under (4), please provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The name and nature of the service purchased</li> <li>Whether the service is one-on-one or group based</li> <li>The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification</li> <li>The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>The total amount spent on the service</li> <li>A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)</li> </ol> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The location used</li> <li>The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)</li> <li>Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	26 November 2013	Written



SE13/0187	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Staffing reductions	<p>a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?</p> <p>b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p> <p>c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</p> <p>d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</p> <p>e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0188	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Staffing cessations	<p>a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification were these staff?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0189	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Staffing recruitment	<p>a) How many ongoing staff recruited from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from 7 September 2013 to date? What classification are these staff?</p> <p>c) From 7 September 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0190	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Coffee machines	<p>1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage since 7 September 2013?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?</p> <p>b) Why were coffee machines purchased?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p> <p>2. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage?</p> <p>a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.</p> <p>b) Why are coffee machines rented?</p> <p>c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?</p> <p>d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?</p> <p>e) Who has access?</p> <p>f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in from 7 September 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?</p> <p>g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0191	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Printing	How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed from 7 September 2013 to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0192	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Corporate cars	<p>a) How cars are owned by each department/agency?</p> <p>b) Where is the car/s located?</p> <p>c) What is the car/s used for?</p> <p>d) What is the cost of each car from 7 September 2013 to date?</p> <p>e) How far did each car travel from 7 September 2013 to date?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0193	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Taxi costs	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0194	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Hire cars	<p>a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from 7 September 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.</p> <p>b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0195	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Credit cards	Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0196	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Credit cards	Please update details of the following: a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused? b) How is corporate credit card use monitored? c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered? d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken. e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0197	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Electricity purchasing	a) What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? b) What are the department/agency electricity costs from 7 September 2013 to date?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0198	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Ministerial briefing	1) Does the department provide a regular briefing to the Minister on the activities of the department and/or any upcoming issues and/or any upcoming matters to come before the Minister? 2) In what form does that occur? 3) On what basis it that provided? 4) What title is this briefing given?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0199	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Departmental senate estimates briefing	1) How many officers were responsible for preparing the Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates? 2) How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information? a) Please break down the hours by officer APS classification 3) Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before senate estimates? a) If so, when did this occur? b) How many versions of this information were shown to the minister or their office? 4) Did the minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information? a) If so, when did this occur? b) What officer hours were spent on making these edits? Please break down the hours by officer APS classification. c) When were the changes made?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0200	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Can the department please outline the process it under goes to access Freedom of Information requests?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0201	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform the Minister when it receives Freedom of Information requests? a. If so, when? b. If so, how does this occur?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0202	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when it receives Freedom of Information requests? a. If so, which departments or agencies? b. If so, when? c. If so, how does this occur?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0203	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform the Minister when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request? a. If so, when? b. If so, how does this occur?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0204	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request? a. If so, which departments or agencies? b. If so, when? c. If so, how does this occur?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0205	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	What resources does the department commit to its Freedom of Information team?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0206	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	List the staffing resources by APS level assigned solely to Freedom of Information requests	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0207	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	List the staffing resources by APS level assigned indirectly to Freedom of Information requests	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0208	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department ever second addition resources to processing Freedom of Information requests? a. If so, please detail those resources by APS level	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0209	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the department? a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0210	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	1) How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Minister's office? a) How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013? 2) Of the officers that are designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Ministers office, how many are seconded officers from the department?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0211	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	<p>What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the department?</p> <p>a. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received formal training?</p> <p>b. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received informal training?</p> <p>c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?</p> <p>d. What did the training involve?</p> <p>e. How long was the training?</p> <p>f. By whom was the training conducted?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0212	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Freedom of Information	<p>What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the Minister's office, excluding those officers on secondment from the department?</p> <p>a. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received formal training?</p> <p>b. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received informal training?</p> <p>c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?</p> <p>d. What did the training involve?</p> <p>e. How long was the training?</p> <p>f. By whom was the training conducted?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0213	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Functions	<p>Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister. Include:</p> <p>a) The guest list of each function</p> <p>b) The party or individual who initiated the request for the function</p> <p>c) The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function</p> <p>d) A list of drinks consumed at the function</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0214	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Alcohol in the Minister's office	<p>Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0215	Internal Product	Senator Ludwig	Red tape reduction	<p>1) Please detail what structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets?</p> <p>a. What is the progress of that red tape reduction target</p> <p>2) How many officers have been placed in those units and at what level?</p> <p>3) How have they been recruited?</p> <p>4) What process was used for their appointment?</p> <p>5) What is the total cost of this unit?</p> <p>6) Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?</p> <p>7) Lease list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body.</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0216	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Ludwig	Placement of 'detectives'	<p>1) What advice or discussions has the commission provided to the minister concerning its policy of about secondment and placement of "detectives" in foreign countries since the election? 2) How is the Commission implementing the reciprocal arrangements for detective sharing discussed with China, Indonesia, Malaysia and Lebanon?</p>	26 November 2013	Written (Transferred to the Australian Crime Commission)
SE13/0217	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Ludwig	Reciprocal arrangements	<p>1) Liberal party polices before the election was to have reciprocal arrangements how is the government implementing coalition policy?</p> <p>2) What are the road blocks?</p> <p>3) If this policy is indeed reciprocal, what plans are there for the incorporation of China, Indonesia, Malaysia and Lebanon detectives into Australian law enforcement?</p> <p>4) What crimes would these foreign detectives work on?</p> <p>a) Would they carry weapons?</p> <p>b) Would they be given immunity or some special legal status?</p> <p>5) If this is a reciprocal arrangement would Australian police then not be able to carry weapons and would they be liable for prosecution for carrying out their jobs in some unsafe jurisdictions?</p> <p>6) What crimes would these Australian detectives work on in these countries?</p> <p>7) Would they be responsible for investigating crimes where the judicial system had a potential death penalty attached to it?</p> <p>8) Would they be responsible for investigating crimes committed by foreign nationals in overseas jurisdictions?</p> <p>9) Would they be responsible for investigating crimes by Australians in overseas countries?</p>	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0218	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Ludwig	Anti-gang squads	1) I refer to the coalition's policy to install local anti-gang squads. Can I get an update on the implementation of that policy please? 2) Who will administer these 'local anti-gang' squads? 3) What percentage of AFP resources will be used for these squads? 4) What is the difference between a taskforce and a squad? 5) Could the AFP have moved resources to areas under the anti-gang taskforce 6) What duplication will be involved in anti-gang squads? 7) What difficulties to the chain of command will the squads present? 8) What towns will have a squad? 9) What level of geographical region will have a squad? 10) What coverage will each squad need to have?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0219	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Ludwig	Customs vessel	What is the legal position of a customs vessel acting against whaling outside of Australia's economic zone?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0220	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Ludwig	Customs vessel	a) The coalition committed to sending a Customs vessel to the Southern Ocean, is there a Customs vessel there now? b) What is that ship doing now? c) What is that ship designed for? d) If customs wanted to move it to the Southern ocean to protect against illegal fishing could it do so without the permission of the three star general under Operation Sovereign Borders? e) Which minister would make such a decision?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0221	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Xenophon	Special purpose visas	1) Can the department advise whether its inquiry into the use of SPVs for cabin crew has been completed? a) If not, when is it likely to be completed? b) If so, what was the conclusion? 2) What monitoring process will the department put in place to ensure compliance with the new rules? 3) How will the department address the cross-over of jurisdictions between Immigration and Transport?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0222	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Xenophon	Significant Investor Visa	Can the Department provide the most recent statistics for the Significant Investor Visa, including: a. The number of applicants b. The number of approvals c. How these numbers compare with the expected applicants and approvals when the visa category was established.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0223	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Xenophon	Significant Investor Visa	What are the criteria applied by the department for the Significant Investor Visa to ensure that applicants meet the monetary threshold?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0224	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Staffing	Does the directive (in regard to the employment cessation of non-ongoing staff at the end of the current term) include advice on the role of the Australian Public Service Commissioner?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0225	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Staffing	Regarding the Customs Agency being exempt from further staffing cuts, has there been a decision of government and on what date was that decision taken?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0226	ACBPS	Senator Carr	Christmas Island	How many people have been processed by the Customs Service who arrived through to Christmas Island since the election?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0230	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Staffing	Would you be able to provide me with the staffing establishment per division please and what the actual staffing allocations are per division.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0231	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Ministerial responsibilities	Are you able to detail the division of responsibilities between the two ministers? (Minister Morrison and Minister Cash)	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0232	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Parliamentary Budget Office	Did the Parliamentary Budget Office estimates differ from your (Department) own as to the costs for maritime arrivals? If they differ, could you provide advice on the basis of those differences?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0233	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Streamlined visa processing	Can you please confirm the accuracy of the article that appeared in the Australian on November 1 2013 (No streamlined visas for sub-degrees)? What are the 22 institutions invited to apply for the streamlined visa processing?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0234	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	CRICOS	Given the revised methodology, what is the revised risk level of registered CRICOS providers?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0235	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	CRICOS	How many CRICOS providers are operational?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0236	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Higher education	Can you indicate what percentage of the 1,030 (higher education institutions) are regarded by the Department of Immigration as low risk?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0237	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Humanitarian Visa	Under the humanitarian visa program, how many places have already been filled? (of the allocated 11,000 for offshore)	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0238	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Demographics	Of the refugees who arrived by boat or people seeking refugee designation in 2013 how many were from Indonesia and how many were from Malaysia? How many are expected to be from Malaysia and Indonesia this year, 2013-14?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0239	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Operation Sovereign Borders	Of the people who are arrived at Christmas Island since Operation Sovereign Borders has been in place how many of those arrived at night?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0240	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Operation Sovereign Borders	How many people who have arrived by boat since 7 September are currently in immigration detention on the Australian mainland? Of those, how many are women, children and unaccompanied minors?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0241	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Nauru	How many men, persons under 18 years and unaccompanied minors who have arrived by boat since 7 September have been transferred to Nauru?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0242	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Manus Island	Since 7 September, of the persons transferred to Manus Island, how many people claimed to be adults and then subsequently claimed to be minors?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0243	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Women and children	Of the people who arrived by boat in September, October and November, how many arrivals were women and how many had children?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0244	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Unaccompanied minors	Of the people who arrived by boat in September, October and November, how many arrivals were unaccompanied minors?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0245	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Somalian arrivals	Of the people who arrived by boat in September, October and November, how many arrivals were from Somalia?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0247	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Operation Sovereign Borders budget	How much is being spent on the current functions that are being undertaken as part of this new program? What is the current appropriation for the functions that have been undertaken by the 16 agencies that are a part of the Operation Sovereign Borders?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0248	ACBPS	Senator Carr	Vessels	There has been an indication that the government intends to gift two vessels to Sri Lanka. Is there a formal document detailing the gift?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0249	ACBPS	Senator Carr	International arrangements	Can we have a copy of the memorandum of understanding with Sri Lanka?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0250	ACBPS	Senator Carr	International arrangements	What measures are in place to ensure the integrity of such arrangements (use of the gifted vessels), if it is consistent with the current MOU?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0251	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Incidents of self-harm	Can the department provide details of reportable incidents (of self-harm) broken down by the detention centre on Christmas Island, Manus Island, Nauru and the mainland facilities, the nature of the incident, sex, age and length of detention and the action taken by the department?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0252	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	AFP staff	When were the AFP staff deployed to Sri Lanka and Malaysia?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0253	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	AFP staff	What is the cost of offshore deployment for the 12 AFP staff?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0254	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Indonesian boats	How many boats have been returned to Indonesia since September 7 2013?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0255	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Boat arrivals	How long does it normally take from rendering assistance to a vessel to deciding where the people on board will go (e.g. Christmas Island, Indonesia)?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0256	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Definition of terms	What is the precise definition used by Customs of an "on-water" matter?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0257	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Definition of terms	What is the precise definition used by Customs of an "operational matter"?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0258	ACBPS	Senator Carr	Weekly briefing	Did Customs provide advice at any stage to the previous Labor Government regarding the publication of information relating to "operational matters"? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What was the content of this advice, if any?</li> <li>• Did the advice at any stage mention the "risks" as outlined by Lt. General Angus Campbell at the weekly briefing on Friday 15 November?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0259	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Boat arrivals	How many boats have been successfully turned back to Indonesia since the election?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0260	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Boat arrivals	How many turn backs have been attempted but failed?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0261	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Boat arrivals	How many fishing boats has the Government purchased in Indonesia since the election? How much did they cost?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0262	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Boat arrivals	What is the total amount spent on purchasing Indonesian fishing vessels?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0263	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Boat arrivals	If the Government does not proceed with this policy, where will the money be redirected to within the portfolio?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0264	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Cross portfolio /corporate/general	Detail the process the department has worked through to change its name.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0265	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Cross portfolio /corporate/general	What did you have to change? What has happened to stocks of paper and other stationary/materials that have the old title?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0266	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Cross portfolio /corporate/general	Who conducted the work, how many staff were involved and how long did it take to make all the changes?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0267	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Cross portfolio /corporate/general	Provide a breakdown of all the costs, including the cost of staff time, associated with the change.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0268	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Cross portfolio /corporate/general	What impact will the Government's new policies have on the Department's budget position?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0269	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	Is the organisational chart on your website up to date and does it reflect the current structure of the department? • If not, what are the changes that are not reflected in that chart?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0270	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	What changes have been made to the Department's organisational structure since the election? Detail the nature of those changes.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0271	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	What was the FTE staff establishment for the department as at the 2013/14 budget?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0272	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	What is the number of staff employed on fixed term contracts or on a temporary basis?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0273	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	Have there been any appointments to the department since the election? • If so, who was appointed, to what position were they appointed, what was the process followed and are they permanent or fixed term appointments?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0274	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	What mechanisms will the department employ to meet the Government's job cuts target? • Will the target be met through voluntary redundancies or with there be some compulsory redundancies? • If so, how many job cuts will come via compulsory redundancies? • Has the department offered any packages to staff as a means of achieving the job cuts target?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0275	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	How many APS positions are expected to be cut from this department? • Are these reductions based on actual staff numbers or based on a savings target? • Are these reductions in staff levels in addition to the redundancies announced in the 2013/14 budget?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0276	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Departmental organisation and staffing	Have any departmental officers been seconded to the Minister's office or the office of the Parliamentary Secretary? • If so, what are the details of those appointments and how were they made? • Are the secondments temporary or permanent? • Who is paying for them – are they on the department's books or have them been engaged under the MOPS Act?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0277	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Graduate program	Does the department run a graduate recruitment program? How does the graduate recruitment program work and what has the intake been over the last three years? Have there been any changes to this program since the last election? • If so, what is the nature of those changes?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0280	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Charter letters	Has the Minister received a charter letter from the Prime Minister?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0281	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Charter letters	Are those arrangements finalised or could they change on receipt of a charter letter from the Prime Minister. • Where are these arrangements recorded and are they publically available?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0282	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Office budgets	What are the funding arrangements for the Ministers' offices and the Parliamentary Secretary's office? • Is there a specific budget for both offices? • Has a specific funding allocation been set aside within the department to meet the costs of operating the ministerial offices in the portfolio? • Are there administrative arrangements that apply to these budgets? • Can you provide details of those administrative arrangements?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0283	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Office budgets	What is the arrangement for expenditure by the Minister or his office on hospitality?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0284	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Office budgets	Has the minister or his office used the office budget or directly drawn on Departmental funds for hospitality purposes? • If so what are the details.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0285	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Office budgets	Has the Minister, or his office, ordered new crockery and cutlery for the ministerial suite? • If so, how was it funded, how was the cost met, and which budget did the funding come from? • What is the approval process for this sort of purchase?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0286	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Regulatory reform	What methodology will this department use to calculate the cost of regulation within the portfolio?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0287	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Regulatory reform	The Government's regulatory reform policy requires this department to establish a dedicated unit led by an officer of at least SES1 level. • Has the unit been established? • How many staff are assigned to this new unit? • From where have the staff be redeployed? • Is this a full time job for these officer(s)?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0288	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Regulatory reform	According to the Government's regulatory reform policy the Secretary will be set a specific regulatory performance target both in terms of the number of regulations to be cut and the extent of the impact of those regulations. • Has that target been set for this department yet? • If so, what is the target? • If no, when do you expect to finalise this target? • The performance in this area is to be linked to SES pay and also the reappointment of departmental secretaries, how will this work?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0289	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Regulatory reform	<p>The Government's regulatory reform also requires this Department to establish a Ministerial Advisory Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the process for establishing this new council?</li> <li>• How will the members be selected and who will be the final decision maker?</li> <li>• When do you expect the council to be up and running?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0290	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Discretionary grants	<p>What are the discretionary grants programs managed by this portfolio? For the discretionary grants programs managed by this portfolio please outline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How are they administered?</li> <li>• Who is the decision maker?</li> <li>• In relation to each of these programs is there an industry advisory body – or some other form of advisory body – that is involved in the assessment process for grant applications?</li> <li>• If so, who is on each of these advisory bodies?</li> <li>• Were these bodies in place before the election?</li> <li>• Have there been any changes since the election?</li> </ul> <p>Has there also been a pause in the release of funding for grants under these discretionary grants programs?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, what are the details?</li> <li>• What advice has been provided to stakeholders about the nature and purpose of the pause?</li> <li>• Did this pause include grants that had been advertised but not yet finalised?</li> <li>• Did this pause include grants where decisions had been finalised but recipients had not yet been notified?</li> <li>• Is there an indicative timeline as to when successful recipients of grants can expect to hear from the Government?</li> <li>• Are there any exceptions to the pause either in terms of programs or individual grants within a particular program?</li> <li>o If so, what has been the process around determining any exemptions?</li> <li>o How many grants or programs in this portfolio have been exempted and what are the details?</li> <li>o What was the process used to identify a grant or a program that would be excluded from the pause.</li> <li>o Who was the decision maker in each case where a grant or program was exempted from the pause?</li> <li>• Since the election has there been any change to these assessment processes and decision making arrangements?</li> <li>o If yes, where did the direction come from to make these changes?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0291	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Savings options	<p>Since the election has the department been requested to develop a package of savings options either by the minister or Prime Minister and Cabinet or Treasury or Finance?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so, when was the request made and has that work been completed?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0292	Internal Product	Senator Carr	Advisory bodies/agencies	<p>Has the department undertaken review of all advisory bodies and agencies in this portfolio?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If yes, who was the request made by?</li> <li>• Which bodies were reviewed? If not all, why were some left out of this process?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0293	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Student Visas	<p>How many people were granted student visas in 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a breakdown of all student visa grants during 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Type of student visa (including guardian visa);</li> <li>o Number of primary visa holders vs number of dependants (and number of these who were minors);</li> <li>o Age, sex, nationality of visa holders;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0294	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Student Visas	<p>What is the average processing time for student visa applications?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a breakdown of all student visa cancellations during 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Type of student visa (including guardian visa);</li> <li>o Number of primary visa holders vs number of dependants (and number of these who were minors);</li> <li>o Age, sex, nationality of visa holders;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0295	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Student Visas	<p>How many people previously on a student visa have been subsequently granted a subclass 485 (temporary graduate visa) during 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date.</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0296	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Student Visas	<p>What measures are in place to ensure students comply with visa conditions?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many staff (FTE) are dedicated to this purpose?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0297	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Working Holiday Visas	<p>How many people have been granted an initial working holiday visa in 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0298	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Working Holiday Visas	<p>How many people have been granted a second working holiday visa in 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0299	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Working Holiday Visas	<p>How many work and holiday visas have been granted in 2012-13 and 2013-14 to date?</p>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0300	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Working Holiday Visas	<p>How many working holiday or work and holiday visas have been cancelled in 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a breakdown of such cancellations including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Type of visa held;</li> <li>o Reason for cancellation (if for non-compliance, provide condition which was not complied with);</li> <li>o Age, sex, nationality</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0301	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Working Holiday Visas	Does the Department support caps on the number of Working Holiday visas where the labour market conditions for young Australians require it?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0302	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Visitor/Tourist Visas	For 2012-13 and in 2013-14 provide a breakdown of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the number of visitor visas granted</li> <li>• the type of visitor visa;</li> <li>• age, sex, nationality of visa holder;</li> <li>• whether the visa was granted onshore or offshore;</li> <li>• whether the person overstayed their visa;</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0303	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Visitor/Tourist Visas	Provide a breakdown of all visitor visa cancellations during 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Type of visa held;</li> <li>• Reason for cancellation (if for non-compliance, provide condition which was not complied with);</li> <li>• Age, sex, nationality</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0304	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Visitor/Tourist Visas	How many staff (FTE) are involved in ensuring genuineness of claims made by visa applicants?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0305	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Visitor/Tourist Visas	Has the department seen an increase of people providing fraudulent claims/documents to support visitor visa applications?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0306	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Skilled 457	How many 457s were granted in 2012-13 and in 2013-14 to date?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0307	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Skilled 457	What process/es are in place to ensure the appropriate checks are carried out to ensure that 457 visas are not granted to employ foreign nationals when there are qualified Australian citizens or permanent residents ready, willing and able to do the same job?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0308	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Skilled 457	How many 457 visa applications have been lodged and granted since July 2013?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0309	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Labour Market Testing	Explain how the sponsor obligation to undertake labour market testing in the 457 visa program will work in practice.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0310	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Labour Market Testing	What percentage of the total 81,550 primary 457 visa nominations in 2012-13 would be subject to the LMT requirement?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0311	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Labour Market Testing	Will the Department have any power to question information provided by, or seek further information from sponsors claiming to have advertised jobs but found no qualified Australian worker available to do the job for which they are lodging a 457 visa nomination?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0312	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Labour Market Testing	Please provide the precise references to the text in each of the relevant international trade obligations listed below, which justify the claim on the Department's website that: "LMT will not need to occur where it would conflict with Australia's international trade obligations, in any of the following circumstances: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The worker you nominate is a citizen of Chile or Thailand, or is a Citizen/Permanent Resident of New Zealand.</li> <li>• The worker you nominate is a current employee of a business that is an associated entity of your business that is located in an Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) country (Brunei, Myanmar, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam), Chile or New Zealand.</li> <li>• The worker you nominate is a current employee of an associated entity of your business who operates in a country that is a member of the World Trade Organisation, where the nominated occupation is listed below as an "Executive or Senior Manager" and the nominee will be responsible for the entire or a substantial part of your company's operations in Australia.</li> <li>• Your business currently operates in a World Trade Organisation member country and is seeking to establish a business in Australia, where the nominated occupation is listed below as an "Executive or Senior Manager".</li> <li>• The worker you nominate is a citizen of a World Trade Organisation member country and has worked for you in Australia on a full-time basis for the last two years."</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0313	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Apprentices	How will the system ensure that employers nominating for 457 visa temporary visa holders (such as young Working Holiday visa holders) already working for their business, have in fact made genuine attempts to find Australian citizens and permanent residents qualified to do the work?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0314	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Apprentices	Does the Department collect data regarding the number of Australian apprentices in businesses that engage 457 workers?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0315	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Apprentices	Provide the total number of 457 sponsor's monitored by the Department for the period 1 July 2013 to 30 October 2013.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0316	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Apprentices	Provide the total number of 457 sponsors monitored by the Fair Work Ombudsman and reported to the Department for non-compliance or alleged non-compliance sponsor obligations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What was the nature of the non-compliance for each of these cases?</li> <li>• How many 457 visa holders were involved?</li> <li>• What action has been taken by the Department on the basis of the FWO reports received?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written



SE13/0317	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Hungarian workers	Please describe the 457 sponsorship approval process that resulted in the Austrian company Assmont Steel Construction being approved as a 'standard business sponsor'. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Was this Austrian-based company approved as a 457 sponsor by Department officers based in Australia or in Austria?</li> <li>What checks were made to satisfy the Department that "no adverse information" was known about Assmont?</li> <li>Is it usual for the Department to approve as a 'standard business sponsor' an overseas-based company with no physical address in Australia?</li> <li>What checks were made by the Department on the information provided by Assmont claiming that the workers in question were 'mechanical engineering technicians' and would be working as such in Australia?</li> <li>How many other workers currently in Australia were granted 457 visas to work as 'mechanical engineering technicians'?</li> <li>What measures are in place in the Department to ensure that sponsors are employing visa recipients in the occupations as stated in their applications and not in semi-skilled labour?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0318	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Employer Sanctions Legislation	How many Department staff are there in the unit responsible for the administration of the employer sanctions legislation (Migration Amendment (Reform of Employer Sanctions) Act 2013)?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0319	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Employer Sanctions Legislation	Since the legislation came into force, how many employers have been investigated for possible breaches of this legislation? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many have been found to have committed breaches?</li> <li>What penalties and sanctions have been applied in each case?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0320	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	How many people are currently in community detention arrangements? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many are minors?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0321	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	What publications does the Department release regarding detention statistics? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the Government intend to make any changes to the release of detention statistics in the future?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0322	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	How many people are currently in detention in each detention facility on the mainland? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many of these are women?</li> <li>How many of these are children?</li> <li>How many of these are unaccompanied minors?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0323	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	How many onshore detention centres are there currently? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How many are operational?</li> <li>What is the capacity and surge capacity of each</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0324	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	Are there plans to expand or decommission any of the onshore detention centres?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0325	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Onshore detention network	What are the staffing levels at each onshore facility?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0326	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Children and unaccompanied minors (UAMs)	How many children were held in immigration detention in 2012-13?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0327	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Children and unaccompanied minors (UAMs)	How many unaccompanied minors were held in detention in 2012-13?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0328	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Children and unaccompanied minors (UAMs)	How many unaccompanied minors are currently in detention?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0329	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Children and unaccompanied minors (UAMs)	What measures are in place to ensure unaccompanied minors are cared for appropriately?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0330	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Children and unaccompanied minors (UAMs)	What is the level of Ministerial intervention in UAM cases?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0331	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Children and unaccompanied minors (UAMs)	If found to be genuine refugees, how are UAM's resettled? What measures are in place to ensure their ongoing safety and livelihood until they reach adulthood?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0332	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Family separations	Are families being separated upon arrival at Christmas Island? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If so, why?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0336	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Pregnancy	Recent media reports described the situation of an asylum seeker on Christmas Island who has been prevented from accompanying his pregnant wife to the mainland, where she will give birth. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is this accurate?</li> <li>Why has this decision been taken?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0337	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Pregnancy	The Sydney Morning Herald made reports of a detainee giving birth in Brisbane's Mater Hospital by a caesarian section having limited visitation with her newborn child. Exactly what access was the detainee permitted to see her newborn? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whose decision was it to restrict the Mother's access to the newborn?</li> <li>What information and advice was provided by the hospital regarding the mother's access to her newborn?</li> <li>Is the matter currently being investigated? If so, who decided the matter required investigation?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0338	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Pregnancy	What is the procedure for pregnant women in detention?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0339	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Offshore asylum seeker management	Has the Department received instructions from the Minister about the levels of interactions immigration officials located on Christmas Island and other detention facilities are to have with detainees?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0340	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Offshore asylum seeker management	What messages are Departmental officials being asked to convey to detainees?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0341	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Offshore asylum seeker management	What is the total number of people being held in offshore detention?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0342	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Christmas Island	How many people are currently in detention on Christmas Island? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many of these are women?</li> <li>• How many of these are aged under 18?</li> <li>• How many of these are unaccompanied minors?</li> <li>• What is the capacity and surge capacity of each facility on Christmas Island?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0343	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Manus Island and Nauru	What is the progress of capacity expansion at Nauru and Manus Island? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many extra beds will those expansion works create?</li> <li>• When is the expansion expected to be completed?</li> <li>• What is the cost of capacity expansion?</li> <li>• If more than \$15 million – did the Department notify the Public Works Committee of this additional expenditure?</li> <li>• If not, why not?</li> <li>• Did this additional expenditure go out to tender?</li> <li>• If not, why not?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0344	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Manus Island and Nauru	What procedures are in place to ensure adequate health checks and vaccinations can occur within the 48 hour time frame for turnaround between arrival and transfer to an offshore facility?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0345	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Nauru	How many asylum seekers are currently being held in Nauru? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many of these are women?</li> <li>• How many are aged under 18?</li> <li>• How many are unaccompanied minors?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0346	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Nauru	What is the current capacity and surge capacity of Nauru?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0347	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Nauru	What facilities are available to families on Nauru that make it more suitable than Manus Island?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0348	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Nauru	Are all school-aged children in Nauru currently attending school? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If not, why not?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0349	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Manus Island	How many asylum seekers are currently being held on Manus Island? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many are women?</li> <li>• How many are under 18?</li> <li>• How many are unaccompanied minors?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0350	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Manus Island	What is the current capacity and surge capacity of Manus Island?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0351	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Manus Island	Are all school-aged children in Manus Island currently attending school? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If not, why not?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0352	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Manus Island	Have any of those transferred to Nauru and Manus Island been returned to Christmas Island or the Mainland of Australia? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many and why?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0353	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Sri Lankans	How many boats have arrived in Australia from Sri Lanka since 7 September 2013?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0354	Operation Sovereign Borders	Senator Carr	Sri Lankans	How many boats have arrived in Australia from Sri Lanka since 19 July 2013?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0355	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Sri Lankans	How many Sri Lankan nationals are currently in onshore detention?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0356	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Sri Lankans	How many Sri Lankan nationals are currently in offshore detention? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many on Christmas Island?</li> <li>• How many on Nauru?</li> <li>• How many on Manus Island?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0357	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Carr	Australia-Indonesia cooperation	What is the progress of Australia-Indonesian cooperation? What activities are being undertaken at Department level as a result of the Australia-Indonesian cooperation? How many staff are allocated to these activities? What is the Department's involvement in these activities?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0361	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Refugee status determination for offshore entry person	<p>Has refugee status determination commenced for people on Nauru and Manus Island?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many people have applied for refugee status?</li> <li>• How many people have been found to be a refugee?</li> <li>• What will happen to them?</li> <li>• How many have been found not to be a refugee?</li> <li>• What is the average processing time to undertake a refugee status determination?</li> <li>• How many staff are involved in undertaking a refugee status determination? How many staff from DIBP? How many from Nauru/PNG?</li> <li>• What support is DIBP providing to the Nauruan and PNG governments to assist with refugee status determination processes?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0362	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	Expert Panel Family Category	<p>Will the Government continue the “Expert Panel Family Category” of the Family Stream of the General Migration program?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If yes, are there any changes proposed? If yes, what are they?</li> <li>• How many of the allocated places have been allocated since 7 September 2013?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0363	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	Has the Department started implementing the Government’s policy to reduce the Humanitarian program by a third from 20,000 to 13,750?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0364	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many of the 2013-14 Humanitarian places have been filled to date?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0365	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How will the 13,750 Refugee and Humanitarian places be divided between the Refugee Program and the Special Humanitarian Program?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0366	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	What is the country breakdown of those 13,750 places?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0367	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many places are accepted to be allocated to Onshore Protection Visas?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0368	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	<p>How will the offshore refugee visas be allocated?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the expected breakdown by region?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0369	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	<p>How many UNHCR-referred refugees did we settle in 2012-13 and to date?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many of these UNHCR-referred refugees originated from Indonesia and Malaysia?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0370	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many refugees who arrived by boat have been found to be genuine refugees in 2012-13 prior to 19 July 2013?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0371	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many people were resettled out of Indonesia in 2012-13?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0372	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many people do you expect to resettle out of Indonesia in 2013-14?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0373	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many people were resettled out of Malaysia in 2012-13?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0374	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many people did you expect to resettle out of Malaysia in 2013-14?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0375	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	<p>Does the Department still intend to deliver 4000 resettlements out of Malaysia over four years?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If not – has the Department notified the Malaysian Government?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0376	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many people were settled out of Syria in 2012-13?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0377	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many people do you expect to settle out of Syria in 2013-14?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0378	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many Coptic Christians were granted visas out of Egypt in 2012-13?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0379	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many Coptic Christians do you expect to resettle out of Egypt in 2013-14?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0380	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many Women at Risk visas were granted in 2012-13?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0381	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many Women at Risk visas do you expect to grant in 2013-14?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0382	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	What international agencies does Australia currently have partnerships with regarding refugees and resettlement?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0383	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	What is the average time for assessment of an offshore humanitarian visa currently?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0384	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee and humanitarian assistance	How many (if any) refugees have been resettled in PNG?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0385	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Private Sponsorship Pilot	<p>Has the Community Partnership Settlement Pilot commenced? (If not, when?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many applications have been received to date?</li> <li>• How many do you anticipate receiving?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0386	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Private Sponsorship Pilot	Will the 500 places which make up the pilot make up part of the 13750 Humanitarian program or will it be in addition to it?	26 November 2013	Written

SE13/0387	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Private Sponsorship Pilot	What level of interest has there been in the pilot from community organisations and individuals?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0388	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Bridging Visas	How many people in total are currently on bridging visas?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0389	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Carr	Bridging Visas	Can you provide separate figures for asylum seekers on bridging visas, breaking down the figures based on those with work rights and those without?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0390	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Bridging Visas	How many people on bridging visas have not had their visas renewed on expiry? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why have their visas not been renewed?</li> <li>• How long was the period between expiry and renewal? Please detail the time periods and average time without a visa renewal.</li> <li>• Why has the department not been able to renew these visas on expiry?</li> <li>• How will they be dealt with upon the expiry of the bridging visa?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0391	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Temporary Protection Visas	Can you provide details of the rights and entitlements that will be given to people issued with a TPV? Please include all conditions of the TPV.	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0392	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Temporary Protection Visas	Will casework support be provided to TPV holders? Will they have access to ASAS and CAS? Will they have access to English language training?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0393	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Temporary Protection Visas	How will the Department and Government expect persons on a TPV maintain their safety and that of their family when they have no access to family reunion and will lose protection if they travel outside of Australia?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0394	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee status determination	Has funding been withdrawn from the Immigration Advice and Application Scheme (IAAAS)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will the allocations made under the scheme continue?</li> <li>• Will unaccompanied minors have access to the scheme or alternative publicly funded advice services?</li> <li>• Have arrangements been made to advise asylum seekers of the withdrawal of funding?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0395	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee status determination	What other information has been provided by the Department to asylum seekers to advise of the changes to the refugee status determination process?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0396	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Refugee status determination	What information has been provided by the Department to asylum seekers regarding the reintroduction of TPVs?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0397	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Refugee status determination	What arrangements has the Department put in place to assist asylum seekers to understand the visa determination process and assist with that process?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0398	4.1: Visa Compliance and Status resolution	Senator Carr	Refugee status determination	Have any additional resources been provided to the Department to assist with this process?	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0399	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Afghan interpreters	Minister Morrison has said that 800 Afghan interpreters who have worked alongside the Australian Defence Force (and their families) will be provided refuge. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are these 800 already being processed or do they have to apply themselves?</li> <li>• Under what category of visa will they be processed?</li> <li>• How many have started being processed/applied so far?</li> </ul>	26 November 2013	Written
SE13/0400	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Moore	Citizenship ceremonies	Can you please provide details for citizenship ceremonies including details on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The cost of citizenship ceremonies.</li> <li>• Who is responsible for the <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o The cost of the hire of the hall/venue?</li> <li>o The organising and cost of catering?</li> <li>o The cost and organising of entertainment?</li> <li>o The cost and organising of decorations such as flowers etc?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	4 December 2013	Written
SE13/0401	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Moore	Citizenship ceremonies	Have you received queries or concerns from Local Governments/Councils, or other host organisations, regarding the costs of Citizenship ceremonies? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If so: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o How many queries or concerns were raised in the last twelve months?</li> <li>o How does this compare to previous years in terms of the number of concerns or queries raised?</li> <li>o How were the queries or concerns resolved?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	4 December 2013	Written
SE13/0402	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Moore	Citizenship ceremonies	Can you please provide details on the Departmental Guidelines for Citizenship Ceremonies for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The monitoring of the Guidelines for Citizenship Ceremonies across the Nation? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o How are the guidelines monitored?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Do the Guidelines provide instructions, or are there suggestions or requirements, for the inclusion of elected local representatives? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Are there different suggestions or requirements for the differing levels of elected representatives?</li> <li>o What are the instructions/suggestions for the inclusion of elected local representatives?</li> <li>o What is the process if these instructions are not adhered to?</li> <li>o Have there been instances of instructions being issued and not followed? If so, how was this resolved?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	4 December 2013	Written

SE13/0403	ACBPS	Senator Whish-Wilson	Surveillance activities	When does the ADV Ocean Shield become available for Southern Ocean surveillance efforts?	3 December 2013	Written
SE13/0404	ACBPS	Senator Whish-Wilson	Surveillance activities	What level of reimbursement did AFMA or the Australian government provide the French Government for surveillance carried out on the Australian government's behalf in the Southern Ocean?	3 December 2013	Written
SE13/0405	ACBPS	Senator Whish-Wilson	Surveillance activities	When will the Ocean Protector begin its surveillance activities in the Southern Ocean over the coming Summer?	3 December 2013	Written
SE13/0406	ACBPS	Senator Whish-Wilson	Surveillance activities	What and how many IUU activities have other National Government's informed us about IUU in our Southern Ocean territorial waters or EEZs for each of the past 5 financial years?	3 December 2013	Written
SE13/0407	ACBPS	Senator Whish-Wilson	Surveillance activities	What cooperation is planned between Australian Customs, the Australian Defence Force and AFMA in regards to ongoing surveillance in the Southern Ocean?	3 December 2013	Written
SE13/0408	MRT-RRT	Senator Boyce	MRT-RRT	<p>Senator BOYCE: Yes. Ms Ransome, are you able to tell me how many individuals and/or families involving someone with a disability were accepted into Australia by the two tribunals in the past 12 months?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: That is not data that we collect, Senator, I'm afraid.</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: But you would have had cases brought to you, would you not, where the disability of the person was the reason that they were there for review—the reason that their application had been rejected?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: I don't—</p> <p>Ms MacDonald: Senator, we would have had cases where the individual's matter has been refused on the basis that somebody does not meet the health criteria, or we might have cases involving carer visas where somebody is seeking to sponsor a relative to assist with the care—</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: On that basis, perhaps, are you able to provide me then with those that have come to you, or that have brought appeals, on a health criteria basis?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: We can try and obtain that information for you, Senator, but I don't think we'll be able to specify that it was a disability rather than another health factor.</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: Okay. But I can chase that through once I have that list.</p> <p>Ms MacDonald: Senator, may I just confirm: we can give you the numbers of cases that have come before us where they have been refused on the basis of meeting one of the Public Interest Criteria which are about the health criteria, and those are Public Interest Criteria 4005 or 4007. And those ones would show up quite clearly in our statistics. So we could tell you the number of cases that have come before us, and the number of cases that have been successful. Is that—</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: That would be helpful.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 5
SE13/0409	ACBPS	Senator Seselja	ACBPS	<p>Senator SESELJA: Is it fair to say that over the past two or three years that has been an increasing amount of Customs' budget?</p> <p>Mr Groves: As a proportion, overall it has probably been a larger proportion, but once again I would have to take that on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 26
SE13/0410	ACBPS	Senator Hanson-Young	ACBPS	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I will leave the bulk of the questions I would have asked for the session on Operation Sovereign Borders. I would like to go to the comments made about budget, staffing levels and the impact that your services and operations are actually having on the total department. Could you just outline for me what the increase is of staff time now being spent on organisational capacity across your department, the immigration department and others, because of Operation Sovereign Borders?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will not speak for any other agency, senator.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: No, I am asking for yours across those issues.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I probably need to answer it in two parts. One is in relation to our maritime operations. I think we took on notice this morning to get an exact attribution of the support we directly supply to Border Protection Command. You can think of that as a joint venture between ourselves and the Department of Defence, so I contribute assets, people and time, the CDF allocates his resources and that creates BPC. But we also have a maritime division that does the sustainment of all the vessels and all the rest of it. We will come back in response to the previous question taken on notice about the exact attribution and how that has changed over time, because that was the burden of the previous question.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 28
SE13/0411	Internal Product	Senator Singh	MOG changes	<p>Senator SINGH: Mr Bowles, you said in your opening address what is very well known now, that settlement and multicultural affairs, as well as the Adult Migrant English Program functions, have all transferred to other departments, the former being to the Department of Social Services and the latter to the Department of Industry. Why was that decision taken?</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Senator SINGH: Minister, can you answer that question?</p> <p>Senator Cash: Thank you, Senator Singh. The coalition brought together immigration and border protection under one department because policy and operations in our case go hand in hand. In relation to the department of multicultural and ethnic affairs, that has been transferred to the Department of Social Services. We believe that it is a best-fit place there because it is a services department and most of the services are provided by the Department of Social Services. In relation to the Adult Migrant English Program, there is already a program, I understand, in relation to the Department of Industry and it was a best-fit practice there. If I can provide you with further information I will, and I will take the question on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 40-41
SE13/0412	Internal Product	Senator Seselja	Efficiency Dividend arrangements	<p>Mr Bowles: Going forward we have, again, the cuts to deal with through the efficiency dividend arrangements.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: What is that amount for your department?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to check. Going forward from 2014-15 it will probably be around the \$340 million to \$350 million in operational costs.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 42

SE13/0413	4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management	Senator Boyce	Detention contracts	<p>Senator BOYCE: I have just one follow-up question. We seem to have a lack of sync between when the contracts on the two processing centres will expire and the funding for those centres. How much funding are you going to need to go from 1 January to 30 June?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Again, that is part of the MYEFO process. It would be a little bit presumptuous of me to put that out there before going through a formal process.</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: But you must know what it costs you to run the place for five months?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We know what it is costing to run the place to date. We obviously have to go back to government, through MYEFO, to get cost agreements through the finance department around what all of that might actually tally to. What I have said to date is that the contracts expire at this stage at the end of January. We are looking at options around whether we extend or renegotiate, or do we go to the market?</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: Well, it is a bit late to go to the market even now, isn't it?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: It is very hard to go to the market now. My assumption, based on the knowledge I have, without wanting to be definitive about this, is that we will require additional funding to get to the end of 2013-14 for the offshore contracts.</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: Could you perhaps just tell us—and we can assume, I think, that is going to cost at least what it costs you monthly now—what is the current monthly cost?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to find that out for you. I can come back to you on that number.</p> <p>Senator BOYCE: If you have a quarterly cost that will do, or any sort of cost like that.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 46
SE13/0414	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Hanson-Young	Airport entries	<p>Mr Allen: There has been an increase at the airports. I can give you the figure for 2012-13 as well as the figure to date for 2013-14. In 2012-13 there were a total 50 claims for protection at Australian airports.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do you have the numbers on how many were accepted out of those 50?</p> <p>Mr Allen: No, I do not.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you take that on notice, please?</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 47
SE13/0415	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Carr	AL risk	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Of the trialling that you undertook quite recently, you identified 142 providers with an AL risk of 2 or more. Is that right?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: Again, I am not sure about the reference to a trial. It may have been about the variety of methodologies and approaches looked at over recent years at to whom streamlining might be extended. We can take the exact figure on detail, but 142-odd providers who get assessed as AL1 or AL2 does not sound out of the ballpark.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 51
SE13/0416	1.1: Visa and Migration	Senator Singh	457 Visa applications	<p>Senator SINGH: Could we get an update on the changes to 457 visa applications? I appreciate that the changes have not been in place for long and you could take this on notice if you do not have it, but how many applications have been received and how many have been declined owing to the requirement that a genuine skill-need is demonstrated? I understand there were 32 department inspectors appointed, under the Migration Act, to monitor that compliance. How many of those inspectors are there, now that officers from both this department and Fair Work may be inspectors?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: Probably on the 457 application and decision statistics, since the changes were introduced, they will be at a short period, so it will probably be easier if I take those on notice and give them in writing.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 52
SE13/0417	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Carr	Malaysian arrivals	<p>Senator KIM CARR: How many are you expecting to be from Malaysia and Indonesia this year, 2013-14? Is that figure likely to change?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: The broad allocations within the government's 11,000 are still being determined and considered by government. So we do not have that finalised yet.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: When will you have that?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: We expect to have that within the coming weeks. We are working to an—</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: When that is provided, will you provide that to the committee?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: We can, yes.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 57
SE13/0418	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Hanson-Young	Protection Visas	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many protection visas have been given since 7 September?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I do not have that detail.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Have any protection visas been issued onshore since 7 December?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: Yes, to my knowledge. I would have to take it on notice to give you precise detail, but I do know of some cases that have been granted in that period.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Of the 1,200 onshore protection visas, how many were given to people in detention versus those on bridging visas?</p> <p>Ms Larkins: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 59
SE13/0419	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Hanson-Young	Separation of child	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: This is not the only case of separating a child from their parents, is it?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I would have to take any other specifics on notice, but it is not our practice to separate people like that.</p> <p>[...]</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Are there any families on Christmas Island who are currently separated?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: We would have to take that on notice. I could not be definitive.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 83

SE13/0420	4.2: Onshore Detention Network	Senator Seselja	Boat arrivals	<p>Senator SESELJA: Given the complexity in casting forward then, is it possible for you to perhaps take on notice to give us a comparison—I am sure it is in the budget papers, but just for simplicity—between when we last had a situation where there were nearly none or no boat arrivals, which I think was described earlier as being in the 2007-08 financial year, and the last financial year in terms of costs. That might answer my question in broad terms on the kinds of potential savings there are when you actually stop people from coming to this country unlawfully.</p> <p>Mr Bowles: I can take that on notice and see what we can do in that space. I am not sure how we can actually do that. Again, if I make the assumption of zero arrivals and zero people in detention you would obviously have an almost zero cost. But there is a cost to maintaining the network. There is a cost to a range of things. All of that is factored in there. So I will see what we can work out.</p> <p>Senator SESELJA: And those costs would be known historically?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Yes, that is right. They change. The detention network is far different to what it was even two years ago, but it is totally different to what it was in 2007-08 as well. All of that is built into the model. We can take on notice to have a look at what we can provide. I am just conscious that it is quite difficult to get a simple comparison, that is all.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 92
SE13/0421	2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance	Senator Singh	Refugee convention	<p>Senator SINGH: Is this type of penalty, I suppose you could call it, in the sense that you are prioritising one lot of people over another on the basis of how they arrive, prohibited under Article 31 of the refugee convention?</p> <p>Mr Bowles: Again, we have taken it on notice to understand specifically what that is. If we are talking about prioritisation of those who arrive by air legally and then overstay, and then we deal with them or deal with them in a different way, I need to have a look at that and try to work that through. So we will just take that on notice.</p>	19 November 2013	L&CA 115