

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0038) PROGRAMME – Operation Sovereign Borders

Senator Carr (L&CA 77) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: How many from Somalia have arrived last week? Mr Bowles: I can take that on notice.

Answer:

Consistent with Government policy, the nationality of arrivals are not publically released. Such information allows people smugglers to gain insights into potential new markets, and also runs the risk of encouraging chain migration.