

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0345) PROGRAMME – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

How many asylum seekers are currently being held in Nauru? • How many of these are women? • How many are aged under 18? • How many are unaccompanied minors?

Answer:

As at close of business 15 November 2013 there were:

- a) 628 transferees residing at the Nauru Offshore Processing Centre;
- b) 159 adult women residing at the Nauru Offshore Processing Centre;
- c) 104 people were under 18 years of age residing at the Nauru Offshore Processing Centre; and
- d) three transferees residing at the Nauru Offshore Processing Centre who were transferred as adults, but later claimed to be minors and the Department acknowledged the likelihood of their revised claims.