

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0389) PROGRAMME – 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Can you provide separate figures for asylum seekers on bridging visas, breaking down the figures based on those with work rights and those without?

Answer:

As at 19 November 2013, there were 22 803 illegal maritime arrivals in the community who had been granted a Bridging Visa E. Of these, 5 539 were released on a bridging visa without restrictions on employment and 17 264 were released on bridging visas that included a condition that they must not engage in work in Australia.