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Question: You gave some advice in January that it was time to get people off Christmas Island. I

want to know when Minister Evans gave you the go order to do that.

Answer: In early January 2010 discussions took place with the Minister's Office about capacity

issues on Christmas Island and the need to consider moving clients to other centres.

On 10 February 2010 the Minister publicly announced that IMA's on positive pathways would be transferred to Darwin Immigration Detention Facilities while their processing

was finalised.