

## **Amendment to General Business Notice of Motion No. 662**

*As listed on pages 10-12 of today's Notice Paper in the name of Senator Griff*

To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) the Manus Island Regional Processing Centre was formally shutdown on 31 October 2017,
- (ii) more than 600 men refused to leave the centre, for reasons including fears for their safety, and were forcibly removed on 24 November 2017,
- (iii) the detainees were transferred to the expanded East Lorengau Refugee Transit Centre and West Lorengau Haus, with non-refugees housed at Hillside Haus,
- (iv) from the time of the processing centre's closure, until at least 17 November 2017, a number of media reports, photographs and eyewitness accounts indicated the accommodation at West Lorengau Haus – meant to house up to 300 men – was still incomplete, and
- (v) according to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and media reports, West Lorengau Haus had intermittent power and water and incomplete security fencing up to mid-November and, while this is now largely rectified, it has an insufficient number of beds to accommodate the number of detainees;

(b) further notes that:

- (i) during supplementary Budget estimates in October 2017, the Department of Immigration and Border Protection advised that the Government's contract with the International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) would be extended to 28 February 2018,
- (ii) refugee advocates have raised concerns about what appears to be a reduced level of medical and health services provided to detainees during this transition period,
- (iii) the Australian Medical Association has asked the Government to allow its doctors to treat detainees on the island, but its offer has been rejected by the Government, and
- (iv) Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders) has also called for access to the men in the transit centres, expressing concern the medical and psychological needs of the men are not being met; and

(c) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, by the start of business 9 am on 20 December 2017:

- (i) any correspondence with contractors, reports, memos or photographs relating to the progress of the construction of West Lorengau Haus accommodation, fencing and essential services, made since 1 October 2017 until 6 December 6 2017,
- (ii) any correspondence between the Department of Immigration and Border Protection and its contractors seeking extensions of time or budget to deliver the accommodation, security or essential services at West Lorengau Haus, or regarding difficulties in providing agreed services,
- (iii) the parts of any existing contract, MOU, letter of intent or agreement made with IHMS, with regard to the health and medical services to be provided to detainees, including the type of services to be provided, the specialities (such as psychiatric, general practice, counselling, etc) to be made available at each of the three facilities and the number of practitioners within each, provision of medication, hours to be worked, and the range and limits of responsibilities to be exercised by practitioners,
- (iv) any variations, in respect of paragraph (c)(iii), to the previous contract or agreement,
- (v) the parts of any existing contract, MOU, letter of intent, memo or agreement made with Palladin, with regard to the services to be provided, the timeframes in which they are to be provided, obligations on staff, and any requirement or prohibition on using or allowing access to external service providers (such as MSF),
- (vi) any variations, in respect of paragraph (c)(v), to the previous contract or agreements,
- (vii) the parts of any existing contract, MOU, letter of intent, memo or agreement made with the following providers, with regard to the range and quality of services to be provided, the timeframes in which they are to be provided, any requirement or prohibition to use local subcontractors: JOA Wokman, Toll Group and NKW, and
- (viii) any variations, in respect of paragraph (c)(vii), to previous contracts or agreements.