

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 9 FEBRUARY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(56) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Humphries (L&C 106) asked:

How many security staff are currently employed at the North West Point?

Answer:

As at 9 February 2010, the detention service provider, Serco Australia Pty Ltd, employed 91 staff at the Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre (IDC) undertaking a range of differing services including security, transport and escort, welfare support, and programs and activities. The Department does not provide public information on operating security staffing levels in its IDCs.