QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0583) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (written) asked:

How many domestic charter flights were undertaken in the financial year 2011-12 and the financial year to date? What was the origin and destination of each of these flights? How many asylum seekers, DIAC staff, security, medical (IHMS) were on each flight? How much did each flight cost?

Answer:

In the 2011-2012 financial year there was 493 charter flights conducted across the Immigration Detention Network. Due to the large number of flights, an unreasonable degree of effort would be required to extract this level of detailed information in the given timeframe.