QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0654) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (written) asked:

Has there been a tender process for the provision of goods and services on Manus? Has Transfield been asked to tender for the provision of similar services on Manus? What was their response? Have they provided a tender? What is the value of that tender? Who else is providing services on Manus and what are they? What about the provision of goods and health services? Please go through what facilities will be provided on Manus and the full cost.

Answer:

Five companies were invited to provide proposals for the provision of operational and maintenance services on Manus Island. These companies were:

- a) Serco
- b) Transfield Services (Australia) Pty Ltd
- c) Toll Global Resources
- d) HK Logistics Pty Ltd, and
- e) G4S.

Serco and HK Logistics Pty Ltd declined the invitation.

The value for money assessment took into account a range of factors, including ability to stand-up quickly, understanding of the required services, staffing arrangements, quality of service and price. The G4S proposal was considered by the delegate to provide the best overall value for money.

The service providers on Manus Island are as follows:

G4S - operational and maintenance services

IHMS - health and medical Services

The Salvation Army - client welfare and support

Save the Children - specialist support for unaccompanied minors and families with children

IOM - assisted voluntary returns.

Refer to SE12/0649 and SE12/0646 for information on Manus Island facilities.