Senate Inquiry – Incidents at Manus OPC on 16-18 February 2014

Response 2 (e)

Number of people currently undergoing age determination including the number of people transferred from Manus Island Detention Centre after being determined to be under the age of 18 from 1 January 2014.

As at 30 April 2014, there was one ongoing case of a transferee on Manus who was claiming to be a minor. This matter has since been finalised and the department remains of the view that this transferee is more likely than not an adult.

For the period 1 January 2014 to 30 April 2014, three transferees who were initially assessed to be minors whilst in Australia and then transferred to Manus when they turned 18, were subsequently returned to Australia as UAMs following a change in policy regarding the allocation of default dates of birth.