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Question: If we can get those two other dates—the decision date and the date that the department

started contingency planning for bringing people from Christmas Island to Darwin—that

would be great.

Answer: The decision to move the first group of clients (single adult males) from

Christmas Island to Northern Immigration Detention Centre (NIDC) was made on

18 April 2010.

The decision was effected on 19 April 2010, when 68 clients were transferred to NIDC

from Christmas Island.

The contingency planning to move clients from Christmas Island to NIDC commenced

in mid-2009.