

## Question on notice no. 99

Portfolio question number: SE17/099

### 2017-18 Supplementary budget estimates

#### Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Immigration and Border Protection Portfolio

**Senator Nick McKim:** asked the Department of Immigration and Border Protection on 23 October 2017—

1. Please provide a table outlining the following:
  - Numbers by location of all Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMA) s subject to offshore processing, including those currently in Australia
  - Numbers by Male, Female and Child of all IMAs subject to offshore processing, including those currently in Australia
  - Numbers for all IMAs subject to offshore processing, of those who have received a final positive refugee determination, or a final negative determination, or who have not yet received a final determination in both PNG and Nauru, as well as those currently located in Australia
  - Numbers for all IMAs subject to offshore processing who have applied for the US deal, broken down by location
  - Numbers for all IMAs subject to offshore processing, broken down by current location and country of origin.
  - Numbers of pregnant women IMAs subject to offshore processing broken down by current location (Nauru, PNG, Australia)
  - Numbers by length of time subject to offshore processing for all IMAs currently subject to offshore processing (including those currently in Australia)
  - Numbers of IMA children born during their period of offshore processing

**Answer —**

- a. As at 23 October 2017, there were 2,328 transferees who were subject to regional processing, including those in Australia for medical reasons.

**Table 1: Number and Location of Transferees Subject to Regional Processing**

| Location  | Total |
|-----------|-------|
| PNG       | 807   |
| Nauru     | 1099* |
| Australia | 422   |

*\*Includes 5 transferees from Manus in Port Moresby*

b. As at 23 October 2017, there were 2,328 transferees who were subject to regional processing, including those in Australia for medical reasons.

**Table 2: Total Transferees in by Cohort and Refugee Status**

|                    | Failed Asylum Seeker | Refugee     | Still in RSD Process | Total       |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Adult Male         | 170                  | 1306        | 225                  | 1701        |
| Adult Female       | -                    | 229         | 105                  | 334         |
| <b>Total Adult</b> | <b>170</b>           | <b>1535</b> | <b>330</b>           | <b>2035</b> |
| Minor Male         | -                    | 92          | 64                   | 156         |
| Minor Female       | -                    | 86          | 51                   | 137         |
| <b>Total Minor</b> | <b>-</b>             | <b>178</b>  | <b>115</b>           | <b>293</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>170</b>           | <b>1713</b> | <b>445</b>           | <b>2328</b> |

c. As at 23 October 2017, there were 2,328 transferees who were subject to regional processing. Of these;

**Table 3: Total Transferees by Location and Refugee Status**

| Location  | Failed Asylum Seeker | Refugee | Still in RSD Process | Total       |
|-----------|----------------------|---------|----------------------|-------------|
| PNG       | 165                  | 642     |                      | <b>807</b>  |
| Nauru     | -                    | 966     | 128                  | <b>1099</b> |
| Australia | 5                    | 107     | 315                  | <b>422</b>  |
| Total     | 170                  | 1715    | 443                  | <b>2328</b> |

d. Number of refugees expressing an interest in US Resettlement as at 26 October 2017:

**Table 4: Number of Refugees Expressing Interest in US Resettlement**

| Location  | Total         |
|-----------|---------------|
| PNG       | > <b>600</b>  |
| Nauru     | > <b>900</b>  |
| Australia | > <b>50</b>   |
| Total     | > <b>1600</b> |

e. Number of transferees who were subject to regional processing, broken down by current location and citizenship, including those on medical transfer in Australia, as at 23 October 2017.

**Table 5: Number of Transferees in Nauru by Citizenship**

| Citizenship | Total     |
|-------------|-----------|
| Afghanistan | <b>88</b> |

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Bangladesh   | 46          |
| Cameroon     | <5          |
| Egypt        | <5          |
| Ethiopia     | <5          |
| India        | 24          |
| Indonesia    | 8           |
| Iran         | 563         |
| Iraq         | 57          |
| Kuwait       | <5          |
| Lebanon      | 15          |
| Malaysia     | <5          |
| Myanmar      | 24          |
| Nepal        | 18          |
| Pakistan     | 147         |
| Somalia      | 77          |
| Sri Lanka    | 157         |
| Stateless    | 216         |
| Sudan        | 15          |
| Syria        | <5          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1469</b> |

**Table 6: Number of Transferees in Manus by Citizenship**

| Citizenship  | Total      |
|--------------|------------|
| Afghanistan  | 128        |
| Bangladesh   | 57         |
| Egypt        | <5         |
| India        | 5          |
| Iran         | 291        |
| Iraq         | 51         |
| Lebanon      | <5         |
| Myanmar      | 12         |
| Pakistan     | 101        |
| Somalia      | 41         |
| Sri Lanka    | 20         |
| Stateless    | 68         |
| Sudan        | 79         |
| Syria        | <5         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>859</b> |

f. Providing details of this group could allow individuals to be identified.

g. As at 23 October 2017, the average length of time transferees are subject to offshore processing, by location was:

**Table 7: Average Length of Time Transferees are Subject to Regional Processing by Location**

| Location | Average Days |
|----------|--------------|
| PNG      | 1476         |
| Nauru    | 1321         |

h. There were 100 children born between 19 July 2013 and 23 October 2017 to persons subject to regional processing.

**Table 8: Number of Children Born to Persons Subject to Regional Processing**

| Location of Birth | Total       |
|-------------------|-------------|
| PNG               | <5          |
| Nauru             | 30          |
| Australia         | 66          |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>100*</b> |

*\*Figures are based on available information. The Department does not keep track of all births in the Australian or Nauruan community due to freedom of movement.*