

Question on notice no. 347

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2020-21 Additional estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

Senator Nick McKim: asked the Australian Border Force on 22 March 2021—

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Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

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Program 1.3: Onshore Compliance and Detention

AE21-347 - ABF's official list of APOD sites

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Answer:

In states, where there is operational requirement to stand up an Alternative Place of Detention (APOD), this is reported under the relevant state/territory Immigration Detention Centres (IDC) or Immigration Transit Accommodation (ITA). For example Queensland APODs are reported under Brisbane ITA, New South Wales APODs under Villawood IDC and so on.

Due to the absence of an IDC or ITA in the Northern Territory, the Northern APOD is listed as a stand alone site.