Question on notice no. 2

Portfolio question number: AE22-002

2021-22 Additional estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

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Answer —
Please see the attached answer.

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 14 FEBRUARY 2022

Home Affairs Portfolio Department of Home Affairs

Program 2.3: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

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Table 1: Afghanistan Subclass 449 Humanitarian Stay Visa holder arrivals by month between 20 August 2021 and 31 January 2022.

Month	Adelaide	Brisbane	Darwin	Melbourne	Perth	Sydney	Grand Total
August 2021	142	252	-	344	105	288	1,131
September 2021	128	521	482	227	72	294	1,724
October 2021	-	96	116	106	-	144	462
November 2021	65	320	446	219	-	165	1,215
December 2021	-	140	106	<30	5	<5	278
January 2022	-	-	41	<70	-	<15	117
Grand Total	335	1,329	1,191	988	182	902	4,927

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- Regarding Immigration data, the Department's current policy is to mask numbers which are less than five as <5, noting we are reviewing the confidentiality method for the future. Instances where larger numbers are masked is to avoid reverse engineering which may result in unmasking data <5.