Question on notice no. 29

Portfolio question number: BE22-029

2022-23 Budget estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

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Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

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Program 2.3: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

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Answer:

For the six remaining transitory persons in immigration detention as at 4 April 2022, there are no character or behaviour concerns known to the Department prior to the persons engaging with the Australian immigration system.