

Question on notice no. 105

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Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

Senator Stirling Griff: asked the Department of Home Affairs on 8 April 2019—

In December 2018, the Department indicated that the Bomana Immigration Centre in Port Moresby was not yet operational and provided total capital expenditure to 30 September 2018. Is the centre now operational and if so, how many people are currently in the Centre?

(a) Please also update the total capital expenditure for the centre.

Answer —

The Department of Home Affairs is informed the Papua New Guinea Immigration and Citizenship Authority opened the Bomana Immigration Centre on 2 April 2019. All operations related to the Bomana Immigration Centre, including its population, is a matter for the Papua New Guinea Government.

As at 28 February 2019, the total capital expenditure for the Bomana Immigration Centre was AUD \$23.1 million (GST excl.).