

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 23 February 2015**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE15/055) - Take-Backs - Operation Sovereign Borders**

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 95) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: Now, on 19 February the minister confirmed that on 9 February four Sri Lankan nationals were returned at sea to Sri Lankan authorities. I take it that is one of these take-backs?

Lt Gen. Campbell: That is correct. That is the additional event that I was mentioning earlier.

Senator KIM CARR: What time was that boat intercepted? Are you able to tell me that?

Lt Gen. Campbell: The day of interception?

Senator KIM CARR: It was a day reception, was it?

Lt Gen. Campbell: Are you asking what day?

Senator KIM CARR: Yes. What time of the day was that interception?

Lt Gen. Campbell: I will have to take that on notice

*Answer:*

The vessel was intercepted at 1500 Australian Eastern Standard time.