QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/148) - Nauru - Programme 3.5 Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) Offshore Management (Administered)

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah (L&CA) written:

How many unaccompanied minors are there currently on Nauru? Are they all living in the community? What support are they being provided with? Who is providing this support?

Answer:

As at 23 February 2015, there were 14 unaccompanied minors in Nauru, all of whom were residing in the Nauruan community.

Connect Settlement Services – the settlement service provider in Nauru and delegated guardian of unaccompanied minors – provides unaccompanied refugee minors with welfare and support services to develop self-reliance and independent living skills as they transition to adulthood. This includes 24 hour care and supervision where required, and is in addition to the case management, orientation and income support services provided to all refugees.