QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/154) - Children - Programme 3.1 Compliance, Detention and Status Resolution (Administered)

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

What is the total cost of transferring pregnant women (including their family members) from Christmas Island to the mainland? From Nauru to the mainland? What is the total cost of transferring asylum seekers from Nauru to Australia for medical treatment to date?

Answer:

People are transferred by chartered aircraft from Christmas Island to the Australian mainland and from Nauru to the Australian mainland for a variety of reasons and there are a large number of variables that impact on the cost of individual transfer operations. The cost of transferring medical cases or pregnant women is not itemised separately from the overall costs of transfer operations generally.