

EQoN Number	Program: Division or Agency	Senator	Broad Topic	Question	Hearing Date and Proof Hansard Page or Written
AE15/001	2.1	Senator Kim Carr	Children in Detention	<p>Senator KIM CARR: So, of the 19, how many have relatives in Australia?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would have to take that on notice; I do not know.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: How many have said that they do not want to be separated from their children?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I also do not know that number offhand.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 6&7
AE15/002	2.1	Senator Kim Carr	Children in Detention	<p>Senator KIM CARR: How many incidents of sexual assault of minors, either at onshore or offshore immigration centres, have been reported in the last 12 months?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I am not sure that the answer to that lies entirely with me.</p> <p>CHAIR: Senator Carr, it is up to you whether you ask these questions in a broader theme; but you will note that at program 3.1 to 3.2, later on today, all the officials will be here that deal with compliance detention status resolution. But, if we can help you now—</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I think, Chair, most of the officers are here. Whether we have the data disaggregated by annual or financial year et cetera might require some leeway.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: What can you tell me?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would need to take the question that you asked on notice</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 7&8
AE15/003	2.1	Senator Kim Carr	Children in Detention	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Sure. We do not want to get caught up here in any misunderstanding. What data do you have on reports of sexual assaults on minors in detention centres, either onshore or offshore?</p> <p>Ms Pope: My colleague is coming to the table.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Senator, while one of Ms Pope's colleagues joins us, we have extensive data on what are known as 'reportable incidents'. Not all of those incidents relate to sexualised violence, although some do. I am happy, through the Chair, to have the data reviewed and sliced and diced as you have requested. I give you an undertaking that we will come back to you through the course of day as early as possible so that you can continue your line of questioning rather than taking it formally on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 8

AE15/004	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	Manus Island Detention Centre - Travel to China	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: It is Australian taxpayer money, of course, being spent here. How many trips has the immigration department paid for to China in the last 12 months? Mr</p> <p>Pezzullo: Across everything that we do or in relation to this particular contract?</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: In relation to the Manus Island detention centre.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I would not have a clue but Ms Briscoe might have some information on that.</p> <p>Ms Briscoe: We would have to take that on notice. I do not actually have information about that travel.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 11
AE15/005	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	\$44,000 Junket	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So it is the secretary who is responsible for signing off on those trips?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: Ultimately, the secretary signs overseas travel approvals, yes.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Who approved the trip on 23 June last year?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I would have to confirm that, but I am assuming it would have been the secretary at the time.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 12
AE15/006		Senator Hanson-Young	\$44,000 Junket Investigation	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: When is the investigation going to be completed?</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Can I ask when the investigation started?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will have to check that because I am briefed on the fact that it started before my arrival as secretary. I would have to see. If Ms Briscoe cannot answer that question then the head of our internal disciplinary area can.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 13
AE15/007	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	\$44,000 Junket Investigation	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How long should an investigation like this normally take?</p> <p>Ms Dorrington: Depending upon the complexity of the documents that need to be examined, reconciled and so on, it might take some three or four weeks.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: And this was a trip that happened in June last year?</p> <p>Ms Dorrington: Yes.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How long has the investigation been going currently?</p> <p>Ms Dorrington: I will check the date for you during the morning tea break or in a break, if that is possible, and come back to you on the date of the start of the investigation, but it was within recent weeks.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: When you check the time of when the investigation started, could you also get back to me about what documents you have in terms of checking the expenses for the trip?</p> <p>Ms Dorrington: Yes</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 14

AE15/008	1.3	Senator Dastyari	Intergenerational Report	<p>Senator DASTYARI: Has there been a period where it has actually gone down or has it consistently been increasing?</p> <p>Ms Wykes: It has been consistently increasing.</p> <p>Senator DASTYARI: In the Intergenerational report, the last one, the 2010 report, I think the long-term figure for net overseas migration is 180,000; is that correct?</p> <p>Ms Wykes: I will take your word on that. Yes, I think so.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We should indicate that we will check if —</p> <p>Senator DASTYARI: That is fine.</p> <p>Ms Wykes: We will check that.</p> <p>Senator DASTYARI: Sure. Can you take a question on notice? When in the past 10 years has it ever been as low as the 180,000 that is projected in the last Intergenerational report? In fact, you will find it has not, but that is fine. If you can actually get that number for us? That process has now been completed for the production of the Intergenerational report; is that correct?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 17
AE15/010	1.3	Senator Dastyari	Intergenerational Report	<p>Senator DASTYARI: One question on notice, if you can get someone to answer today: Ms Wykes said there were two occasions when there was a meeting that involved the department. Are you able to find out on how many occasions there were meetings involving the department of immigration in the calculation of the migration figures that will be presented in a few weeks in the—</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Internally or with the Treasury?</p> <p>Senator DASTYARI: With the Treasury.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We will take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 19
AE15/011	3.1	Senator Reynolds	Closing of Detention Centres	<p>Senator REYNOLDS: Thank you. With 13 shortly to have been closed, last year in October you said that the forward estimate savings were, for the first 10, \$410 million. Do you have any updated figures, with the additional closures, of what the savings to the forward estimates will be for the operation of these centres?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I would have to take that on notice, Senator.</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: That would be good; thank you. I want to go back and see what progress has been made. Could you advise us, Secretary, of the cost of IMAs to the department budget in 2007? Do you have those figures available?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Off the top of my head, there were no IMAs in our custody. So unless there were any late and underlying expenses to do with reserve capacity</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 19

AE15/012		Senator Reynolds	RRT - Caseload	<p>Senator REYNOLDS: You also say that the RRT decisions were highest for applicants from China, India and Sri Lanka. Have any particular trends or issues emerged for the reasons that they have focused on those three countries?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: No, I do not think so. In terms of trends it is very difficult to say why caseloads from particular countries. The China caseload in the RRT is pretty well an onshore caseload; it is people who have arrived in Australia on another visa at some point and who later make a claim for protection. The Sri Lanka caseload was primarily comprised of UMAs who came by boat.</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: And India?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: India—again, it is primarily an onshore caseload; people who came, for example, on a student visa in the past.</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: So year to year would those categories change? Obviously Sri Lanka has come about because of the UMAs. Have you seen any trends in terms of where the applicants are from?</p> <p>Ms Ransome: I may have to take that on notice, Senator—</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: Please.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 27
AE15/013	1.2	Senator Reynolds	One class of Visa - China/India	<p>Senator REYNOLDS: Do you have any figures, either on hand or on notice, of how many people do come in on one class of visa, like a student visa or a tourist visa, and then onshore make application for another category of visa and then a percentage of those would end up with Ms Ransome in terms of how many flow through?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 30
AE15/014		Senator Bilyk	Number of registered migration agents	<p>Senator BILYK: As at 31 January 2014 there were 5,144. The difference is 349. That is correct, isn't it?</p> <p>Ms Chin-Tan: No. What I meant was that at the end of the last financial year, which would be the figure at 30 June 2014, it was—</p> <p>Senator BILYK: I am asking what the figure was at 31 January 2014.</p> <p>Ms Chin-Tan: I would probably have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 37
AE15/015		Senator Bilyk	Migration Agents	<p>Senator BILYK: So how many agents were lapsed?</p> <p>Ms Chin-Tan: For the lapsed agents, that figure varies from month to month. I probably would need to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator BILYK: Yes, I would be interested in that.</p> <p>Ms Chin-Tan: For which period were you interested in the number of lapsed agents?</p> <p>Senator BILYK: From 31 January last year to date</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 38

AE15/016		Chair / Ian Macdonald	MRT-RRT Staff	<p>CHAIR: Thank you, Senator Bilyk. Minister, just before we go back to the department, I have a question which I should have asked the MRT or the RRT, but I didn't. Perhaps we could take it on notice. All government agencies are 'gender neutral', are they? You select your people on the basis of merit—</p> <p>Senator Cash: Merit.</p> <p>CHAIR: not on the basis of gender.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Absolutely. It is a legal requirement in the Public Service Act.</p> <p>CHAIR: Sure. It is just that I note that, of the members of the MRT and RRT in Victoria, there are 23 of one gender and 10 of another gender. Perhaps on notice, is there some reason for that? Across the board—as best I could work out from Christian names, and they may not be exactly precise—the balance is 68 of one gender and 45 of another gender. I guess that is close enough to balance. But the Victorian ratio is 23:10 and the Western Australia ratio is 3:1. That is a small figure, but—</p> <p>Senator Cash: We can take that on notice, Chair, and have a look at it.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 39
AE15/017	3.1	Senator Kim Carr	\$44,000 Junket	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Mr Secretary, has the invoice that you referred to in your evidence been paid?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will have to take that on notice, because I am not sure that any officer at the table is equipped to answer that, because I know that there is a contractual dispute on foot between the prime and the sub and whether they have withheld payment I do not know.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I understand perfectly well the invoice that is in question and, as we all know, in commercial practice, invoices can be submitted and whether or not they are paid is a subject of both commercial and legal decision making on a case-by-case basis. Mr Cahill said that we make regular payments; that is a fact. We have an invoice; I have not seen it, but I have been advised that we have it; that is a fact. Whether or not it has been paid, it is on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 41- 42
AE15/018	1.2	Senator Kim Carr	Dual Citizenship	<p>Senator KIM CARR: I am delighted to hear that. I want to come back to the matters that you have taken on notice. Another issue has come up and that is the question of dual citizenship. How many dual citizens have we in Australia?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I would have to take that on notice. Off the top of my head, I just do not know.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 43

AE15/019	1.2	Senator Kim Carr	Dual Citizenship	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Would you be able to tell me how many Australian citizens by birth become citizens of another country?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I do not think that we have those statistics. I am happy to take that on notice. But their free right to travel overseas or to otherwise acquire or enliven citizenship through some pre-existing right would not necessarily be known to my department.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 44
AE15/020	1.1	Senator Kim Carr	Legislation to refuse protection visa	<p>Senator KIM CARR: I just return to the Prime Minister's statement today. On page 5 of seven, the Prime Minister said:</p> <p>We've introduced legislation to refuse a protection visa to people who destroy evidence of their identity. And the same applies if you present a bogus document. This Bill is currently stalled in the Senate.</p> <p>What is the status of the bill, which I believe is the Migration Amendment (Protection and Other Measures) Bill 2014?</p> <p>Senator Cash: I would need to check with the Manager of Government Business in the Senate to find out what the actual status is. I will be able to do that for you.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: It has been put to me that the minister's office, as of last week, advised that amendments are being made to this bill following consideration of the Senate committee report and that no revised legislation has been presented at this point. When it was introduced it was actually made clear that the Labor Party was generally supportive of the bill, although it did have some amendments. Is it true that the bill is being redrafted in light of the Senate committee's report?</p> <p>Senator Cash: I would need to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 46
AE15/021	1.1	Senator Kim Carr	Legislation to refuse protection visa	<p>Senator KIM CARR: When is the government intending to reintroduce its bill?</p> <p>Senator Cash: I would need to take that on notice. Again, I go to the bipartisan nature of these types of issues, and that is the basis upon which—</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 46
AE15/022	3.1	Senator Kim Carr	Sexual Assault of a Minor in Detention	<p>Senator KIM CARR: How many cases are being looked at that involve the sexual assault of a minor?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I do not have that number to hand—I would have to take that on notice—but we are working our way through all of those cases identified to us by the Human Rights Commission.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 47

AE15/023	1.3	Senator Kim Carr	Moss Review	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Can you take on notice the question whether the report will be made public?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes, indeed.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 48
AE15/024	2.1	Senator Kim Carr	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>Senator KIM CARR: There is video footage referred to. I take it that the department does not dispute the accuracy of the statements made on page 161 of this report?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I am not sure that I can answer that without checking, because the department, at least in two instances signed by the former secretary and myself on two occasions—we provided what I would consider to be quite significant responses, in some cases rebuttal material. Whether those responses, those factual clarifications and/or indeed in some cases rebuttals, cover the incident that occurred on 23 March 2014—I am happy to take on, if you like, short notice, with the chair's agreement, that is to say, I am happy to look at it through the course of the afternoon and come back to you in these proceedings.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 49-50

AE15/025	2.1	Senator MacDonal d	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>CHAIR: Just continuing along that line. I would be very interested to hear which elements of the Human Rights Commission report the department has offered evidence that is contrary to what has come out in the report. That may have to be taken on notice as well, but as I understood what you just said you indicated that the preliminary report was shown to you and you had offered some contradictory evidence, not necessarily on this incident but on some incidents. If it is easy to get, I would be interested to know on which aspects of the report you had a contradictory view and whether your view was taken into account in relation to the final commission report. As you are aware from media reports, I am somewhat suspicious of this whole Human Rights Commission inquiry and its motivation. I would be interested in what you are doing.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I think an efficient way to respond to the question, which might need to be taken on notice in terms of the particulars—and remembering we transitioned between two secretaries. Mr Boles provided some initial responses. The inquiry team assisting the commission took those on advisement. We separately had a team of internal officers who worked principally in Ms Pope's area who were providing factual responses, responding to notices that were served pursuant to the relevant legislation that the Human Rights Commission operates under.</p> <p>By the time I occupied the chair on 13 October the report was—and I will have to check my notes and my memory—in a near to final state. There was engagement between myself and the president with correspondence in late October and, if memory serves me correctly, in the early part of November. I think that has actually been either tabled with the inquiry's report or is available on our website. I can get clarity around that through the course of the afternoon.</p> <p>To summarise the matter so that I do not just give you a process answer, I would not necessarily describe all of our responses as, if you like, being of a contradictory nature. In some cases we sought to clarify the inquiry's understanding of certain facts. In some cases we did engage in rebuttal. I would describe it as rebuttal, all done with respect and in a collegial fashion.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 50
AE15/026	3.1	Senator Hanson- Young	Moss Review	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: What is the correlation between those 19 cases and the cases investigated by Philip Moss?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 54

AE15/027	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Moss Review	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I would like to pursue my questioning if I could. The point is that I have not been given—Mr Douglas has taken this on notice—how many cases out of the 19 are part of the Moss review. I am saying overall. Out of all of those 19 cases, have any, for example, been completed? Has there been an outcome of referring those cases to the Nauruan police? Have there been any convictions?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do you know whether there have been any convictions?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: But do you know?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I do not have complete advice at this point in time. I would like to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do you have any evidence that guards may have been dismissed who work inside the centre because of any allegations of sexual assault?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: That is quite a specific question. I do not have advice to that level of specificity and I would like to seek advice from the service provider as to whether that was the case.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So, you will take on notice whether anybody has been dismissed as a result of sexual assault allegations?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I will take that on notice</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 54-55
AE15/028	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Checks for working with Children in Detention	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Given the serious nature of the allegations that have been raised over recent months, has there been any review of staff and their relevant working with children checks?</p> <p>Mr Painting: There are reviews regularly.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: But you cannot tell me whether everybody there has them.</p> <p>Mr Painting: It is something we would have to take on notice for sure. I think that is the case, but to give you an absolute guarantee right here—</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: When was the last time that you asked for a guarantee from your contractors that that was the case?</p> <p>Mr Painting: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 56

AE15/029	1.2	Senator Dastyari	Integrational Report	<p>Senator DASTYARI: Minister, have you seen the final IGR?</p> <p>Senator Cash: No, I have not.</p> <p>Senator DASTYARI: Do you know if the minister has seen it?</p> <p>Senator Cash: I would need to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator DASTYARI: Has it gone to cabinet?</p> <p>Senator Cash: I would need to take that on notice. I am not part of cabinet.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: It is a matter for the Treasury.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 58
AE15/030	3.1	Senator O'Sullivan	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>Senator O'SULLIVAN: I will refer to page 43, where they say a total of 13 visits to detention centres occurred. It states that a 'total of 13 visits to detention centres were made over the course of the inquiry'. That is different from four.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will have to check. It might be when you total up individual visits—there are two to Christmas Island plus a variety of onshore centres. It might well constitute 13, but that is something we could check against our records.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 63
AE15/031	3.1	Senator Kim Carr	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Mr Pezzullo, can you inform the committee as to whether or not the matters referred to on page 161 regarding the use of force against children actually occurred?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: As I said in my evidence earlier, we will need to take on notice the specifics of the incident report. I do not know; it was in March 2014. So, as to whether the factual description is as per our reporting, that is something I have undertaken to come back to you on.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Yes, you have. I have read your letter and I cannot see any reference in your letter disputing those facts. Is that correct?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: That is understood, but I did also say that my letter was, if you like, the final statement of our concerns. Mr Boles had also been engaged. Our officers had been engaged in clarifying and rebutting matters. In the depth of that material have we, if you like, rebutted, clarified or sought to modify the commission's understanding of the events of 23 March? That is what I took on notice. I am presuming that an incident occurred.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: 24 March.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I am sorry.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Just in case there has been another incident I am not aware of.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I am sorry. You are absolutely right. On page 162 it does say 24 March. What I have undertaken to do is to take on notice whether Mr Boles raised it in his correspondence or whether one of our officers sought to go back. I think I said to you that we would like to come back to that in terms of our—</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 64

AE15/032	3.1	Senator Kim Carr	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Was it the department that provided the authorisation for the use of force on 24 March for the removal of the children?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: That is one of the matters that I want to reassure myself about before I come back to you, as to how that escalation was handled. That refers to an escalation, force, as is described in the report. The Serco</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 64
AE15/033	3.1	Senator Kim Carr	Responsibilities for Human Rights	<p>Senator KIM CARR: I will ask you some more general questions about the department's views of its responsibilities for human rights. Has the department made any changes to the guidelines for the approval of the use of force since this incident referred to?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Since March 2014?</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Yes.</p> <p>Mr Douglas: Obviously the use of force is a very significant issue that concerns us each time it is approved. I would have to take on notice whether there was a specific amendment made as a result of that particular incident, but I would be very confident that the guidelines are continually being reviewed and upgraded.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 65
AE15/034	2.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Forgotten Children Report	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Since the release of The forgotten children report on 11 February, how many children have been transferred to Nauru from the Australian mainland?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Since 11 February. The statistics that I read into Hansard earlier go up to the 20th, so that is a nine-day period. There would have been potentially a handful of those returned to Nauru. We have not transferred, for a long time, anyone to Nauru initially, because no boats have arrived. But in terms of the agreement we have with Nauru that I described earlier of the repatriation for medical treatment and then return, in that nine-day window I just do not know, whereas Ms Pope might.</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would have to take it on notice, but the secretary is exactly right. There are not any fresh transfers of children.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 67
AE15/035	2.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Children in Detention	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Can you get the figures for how many have been transferred, throughout the course of the rest of day?</p> <p>Ms Pope: Yes. What timeframe are you looking at? Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Preferably before dinner. Ms Pope: No, sorry, the timeframe of the numbers?</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Since the report was released.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Can I also clarify: do you want the net numbers? Some children will have come to Australia and others would have been returned.</p> <p>CHAIR: You can give us both.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 67

AE15/036	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Asbestos at Manus Island Detention Centre	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So, there has been no discovery in recent months or in the last year or so of asbestos at the detention centre on Manus Island that is currently in use?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: It is preferable that we take the detail on notice. The officer clearly has a recollection going back, I think he said, to the early days of the Pacific solution. I think you mean by that, Mr Douglas, not after 2013.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 68
AE15/037	2.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Transfer if UMA's	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: What I am trying to ask is: are there any transferees who are UMAs who are held in immigration detention in Australia?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I do not believe so, but I would have to take that on notice to confirm that. I think the two in detention in Australia had been in community detention and were revoked for behavioural reasons, but I would need to confirm that. Those two are onshore. I am just not sure whether they are transferees from Nauru or not, but I am pretty positive that they are Australian cases, not Nauru cases.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Would you be able to take on notice the breakdown of their ages and gender across the various different divisions? I do not need it now.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Yes. I can give it to you now if you want it.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 68
AE15/038	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	Running Costs of Offshore Detention Centres	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I would like to know the cost of running the Nauru detention centre and the Manus Island detention centre, what the current costs of Christmas Island are given the reduction in people there, and of course the mainland. I also want to know whether there have been any contract variations for any of the primary contractors for each of those three facilities.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Mr Pezzullo, it would be good if you could make sure people have them on notice. I</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 69
AE15/039	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	Mental Health - Children in Nauru	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: If this committee was to ask for the data set of the mental health statistics of children currently detained in Nauru, could you give it to us?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I would have to take that notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do you have the capacity to give us that information?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: We have information available, and I am happy to take that on notice and provide it to you.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 74

AE15/040	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	Mental Health - Children in Nauru	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: When was the last time the department reported on mental health statistics of children in detention?</p> <p>Mr Painting: We would have to take that on notice. We obviously record statistics but in terms of reporting it officially, we would not know off the top of our head.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 74
AE15/041	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	Mental Health - Children in Nauru	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do they have the statistics as being inputted by IHMS staff?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I think the issue is about the conclusions that you draw from the data. The advice that we have is that HoNOSCA, of itself, is not the most appropriate tool to measure the mental health of children and adolescents.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Was the investigation that was undertaken given to the minister? Was there a report written on that investigation?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: My recollection is that the former secretary asked for expert advice to be provided through the independent health advisor, as I have indicated. That advice is being provided to the department and currently under consideration by the chief medical officer and others.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could I ask for a copy of that advice to please be tabled?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: You take on notice that you will get it to us or will you take it on notice as to whether you can? I want clarification about that.</p> <p>Mr Cahill: I will take your request on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 74
AE15/042	3.2	Senator Hanson-Young	Mental Health - Children in Nauru	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you take on notice who has been consulted in relation to this data collection and reporting? Which individuals have been consulted? Why is the head of IHMS, Peter Young, who has put forward this proposition to the Human Rights Commission, not an expert in how this data should be reported?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 75
AE15/043	3.2	Chair / Ian Macdonald	Independent Health Advisor	<p>CHAIR: What is the chief medical officer of the department's qualifications?</p> <p>Mr Cahill: Dr Paul Douglas. I would probably have to take that on notice. There might be somebody here who could tell you that but—</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 76

AE15/044	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Kim Carr	Asbestos in vehicles from China	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Yes, they have been keen to get on. Have you seen the report in The Australian this morning concerning claims that Chinese imports of asbestos have increased, that there is mounting evidence of its use in automotive, mining and building materials and that it is going undetected by the Customs service?</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Do you have any sense of how widespread this issue is?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I would have to take that on notice in terms of statistical figures for interceptions. What I can say to you in a generic sense is that it is not increasing. It is relatively stable. Notwithstanding that, we are constantly vigilant. We take this matter very seriously. As I indicated, we have good leads in terms of the countries and the industries of highest risk, and that is where we dedicate our resources.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: The claims made in the newspaper The Australian today suggest that we do not how big the problem is. It is not quoting a Customs official, it is quoting an observer. Do you disagree with that proposition?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I think I will take on notice the question of a statistical size of the problem, but can I say this: I think the notion that we would be able to physically inspect each and every one of two million sea containers that come through the border per annum is a nonsense. That is not going to occur. We have though, in the sea cargo container environment, a very mature and very extensive intelligence profiling capability. That capability, as I have indicated, is directed at countries and industries of highest risk. The same methodology applies to the interception of drugs and/or firearms. I am confident, having looked at the problem now for some time, that it is not a phenomenon that is growing.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 77
AE15/045	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Kim Carr	Asbestos in vehicles from China	<p>Senator KIM CARR: What is the level of risk you ascribe or apportion to the automotive, mining and construction industry products imported from China in regard to asbestos?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I could not give you that.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Can you take that on notice please?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: Yes.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 78
AE15/046	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Kim Carr	Asbestos in vehicles from China	<p>Senator KIM CARR: So, how many prosecutions have there been for the importation of vehicles or automotive components from China using asbestos in the last few years?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I suspect none, but I would take that on notice just to be 100 per cent sure.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 78

AE15/047	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Kim Carr	Asbestos in vehicles from China	<p>Senator KIM CARR: I appreciate the point you make. You cannot inspect two million containers, but you know that there are specific uses for a product. You know who is importing the material, you know who is exporting the material from China.</p> <p>Mr Quaedvlieg: Yes.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Why can you not give us an assurance that those suppliers would be prevented from importing asbestos to Australia?</p> <p>Mr Quaedvlieg: It is highly unlikely that we do. I just do not want to give you that guarantee here without the actual statistics.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Can you take that on notice because I look forward to your assurance that that can be done. I am surprised you will not be able to do that after you have checked the records.</p> <p>Mr Quaedvlieg: Yes, we will take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 79
AE15/048	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Xenophon	Asbestos	<p>Senator XENOPHON: Further to the line of questioning from Senator Carr about asbestos from China and Russia in particular, you have taken some questions on notice in respect to asbestos in cars. In terms of asbestos in plasterboard, cheap plasterboard coming in from China, given that in the building industry you break it up and the fibres are loosened, what assurances can you give that that plasterboard containing asbestos will not be allowed into this country, given the risks it poses to those working in the building trade and, indeed, to anyone who does any DIY renovations?</p> <p>Mr Quaedvlieg: I will respond in two parts. I will take a question on notice in relation to some statistics around plasterboard importations in particular, because I do not have those figures to hand. Secondly, I will respond verbally by indicating and paraphrasing the same response I gave to Senator Carr in that we certainly apply an intelligence-led model to interceptions and working with industry in terms of high-risk countries and industries. In the context of plasterboard from China I have hit both of those particular risk indicators. So, my sense, without having the statistics before me, is that we were doing significant work around the plasterboard importations from China but I would have to take the stats of that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 86

AE15/049	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Xenophon	Asbestos	<p>Senator XENOPHON: I will not ask you to comment on policy. That is something I can perhaps put to the government down the track but finally in respect to this, on notice can you tell us the likely quantity of material that is coming in, both in terms of cars and auto products and in terms of building products, and what measures or resources are being used to ensure that this stuff does not get into the country at all?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: That is a very broad-ranging question. I will do my utmost to provide you with a full and detailed answer to that question.</p> <p>Senator XENOPHON: Including spot checks, for instance. Do you have spot checks?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: We do. We have an audit and compliance program that does that sort of checking. We will make every endeavour to give you a full and comprehensive answer to that.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 87
AE15/050	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Leyonhjelm	Customs Brokers	<p>Senator LEYONHJELM: I am changing the subject again. Is the number of licensed customs brokers going up or down?</p> <p>Senator LEYONHJELM: What about over the last decade; has it increased or decreased?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I will have to take that on notice, unless one of my colleagues in the room can answer that question.</p> <p>Senator LEYONHJELM: How many customs brokers did you licence in the last year?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I do not have that statistic.</p> <p>Senator LEYONHJELM: Can you take that one on notice?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: Yes</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 91
AE15/051	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Reynolds	SmartGate	<p>Senator REYNOLDS: How many people use it or how many entries are there via SmartGate every year?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I will just check with my colleagues to see if those stats are available, otherwise we might have to take it on notice. There are heads shaking all round so I will take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 92
AE15/052	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Leyonhjelm	Trusted Trader	<p>Senator LEYONHJELM: Following on from your previous answer in relation to the trusted trader system, will this affect the need for licensing customs brokers? Will there be a reduced demand for them or any change in demand for them?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I would have to take that on notice as that is not something I have turned my mind to, unless my colleague Ms Nyakuengama can answer that question.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 92
AE15/053	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Leyonhjelm	Tariffs	<p>Senator LEYONHJELM: I understand that when the AAT rules that a tariff should apply to a product Customs then backdates the tariff over a number of years when the tariff was not imposed. Has that occurred?</p> <p>Ms Nyakuengama: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 93

AE15/054	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Leyonhjelm	Passenger Movement Charge	<p>Senator LEYONHJELM: Are there any countries, and can you nominate them, that impose a higher passenger movement charge than Australia?</p> <p>Ms Nyakuengama: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 93
AE15/055	OSB	Senator Kim Carr	Take-Backs	<p>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?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: That is correct. That is the additional event that I was mentioning earlier.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: What time was that boat intercepted? Are you able to tell me that?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: The day of interception?</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: It was a day reception, was it? Lt Gen. Campbell: Are you asking what day?</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Yes. What time of the day was that interception?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I will have to take that on notice</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 95
AE15/056	2.1	Senator Kim Carr	Translators - Sri Lankan Nationals	<p>Senator KIM CARR: And on the occasion on 9 February where this enhanced screening process was engaged for the four Sri Lankan nationals, can you tell me how many translators were available for that event?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: There were two translators.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: How long were the interviews for the Sri Lankan nationals?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I do not have that information with me—I can take that on notice—but the interview is conducted in accordance with the guidelines that make sure we do not breach our non-refoulement obligations. Quite a few questions are involved and it may take some time.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 96

AE15/057	2.1	Senator Kim Carr	Four Sri Lankan Nationals	<p>Senator KIM CARR: So, if immigration officials undertook these assessments did they consult with anyone else before they made their assessments?</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: So, the consultation was with the legal team?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: Yes. For some claimants where the situation is very clear cut—manifestly unfounded claims, lacking readiness and no protection claims raised at all—that is a straight forward process. For some claims that could potentially raise our non-refoulement obligations, further consultation occurs at the senior executive level and with the legal branch.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I think it is fair to say that the officer is describing the general practice that has been employed. I know your question specifically goes to the four persons who were the subject of the most recent take-back, but the officer is describing a general practice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: So, can I get an answer to my question?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I will need to take this question on notice to be absolutely certain in terms of the information that I provide to you.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 96
AE15/058	OSB	Senator Kim Carr	Orange Life rafts	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Can you tell me how many additional boats were purchased between May 2014 and October 2014? I presume you are referring here to the orange life rafts.</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: Yes, I am assuming that is the case, but I will need to take that question on notice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Perhaps while you are there you can tell me what the cost was.</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I will have to take that question on notice as well.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: How much have you spent on those boats to date?</p> <p>Mr Quaadvlieg: I can take that question on notice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Are you able to tell me what the unit price is of the boats?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 97

AE15/059	OSB	Senator Kim Carr	Public Interest Immunity Claim	<p>Senator KIM CARR: What is the reason you cannot provide advice to this Senate committee as to the cost of an individual boat?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I would just rely on the contention previously advised to this committee, including back in early 2014 when the appropriation was made, that to give away an indication of the size of the fleet would give—</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: We are already past that.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: critical information. Once you go to the per-unit price, as you have recognised with your exclamation back in response to the CEO's commentary before, you only need two numbers: the program value and the unit price. Once you have got those two factors, you know how many vessels General Campbell has at his disposal. As far as we are concerned, that remains classified information embraced by the immunity claim.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Yes. Have you responded to the Senate committee report on this matter, Minister? Has the government responded?</p> <p>Senator Cash: I would need to take that on notice,</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 98
AE15/060	OSB	Senator Hanson-Young	Cambodia Agreement	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Mr Secretary, there was a delegation earlier this year of Australian and Nauruan officials who went to Nauru in order to progress the Cambodia arrangement. That is where I would like to start. Can you tell me who represented Australia on the visit?</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Who else was in the Australian delegation?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: Myself and Deputy Secretary Cormack, formerly of the Department of Immigration and Border Protection, and I would have to take on notice the other members.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Did members of the Cambodian delegation meet with asylum seekers at the centre?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 99

AE15/061	2.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Cambodia Agreement	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Ms Pope, do you know whether there has been any official communication to asylum seekers in Nauru about going to Cambodia?</p> <p>Ms Pope: The one point that has been clearly made is that it is voluntary, so the asylum seekers and refugees would be aware that it is a choice on their part. The rest of the advice has really been that, when we have more information in relation to how arrangements will proceed in Cambodia, we will provide that advice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How has that message been conveyed?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would have to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Is there a briefing document that is given to officers at the detention centre?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would have to take it on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 100
AE15/062	OSB	Senator Hanson-Young	Cambodia Agreement	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Yes, just the basic communication to people about the Cambodia deal.</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: We will have to take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So you are not aware of any official communication?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: No, what I am saying is that we will have to take on notice what the form of communication is, because I am sure that the transferees and refugees on Nauru are aware of those three points: there is an arrangement; more detail will follow; it is voluntary.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: But is that because we have given them that information or is that a brief that you have given your officers at the detention centre? Do you see the point I am trying make? Often when there is information that comes from the department to a group in detention, there is either a decision made as to, 'This is the piece of paper that explains the situation for the individual,' or officers are given an understanding of the brief of information that is to be conveyed.</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I understand what you mean. We will have to take it on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 101
AE15/063	2.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Cambodia Agreement	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I understood that one of the conditions was that asylum seekers must be able to work anywhere in the country and not restricted to just having to work in Phnom Penh for the first 12 months or having to move out to the rural and regional areas, which is what had previously been mooted by the Cambodian government. Has your department done any work as to the job prospects and workforce participation rate in Cambodia recently?</p> <p>Ms Pope: Do you mean labour market analysis?</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Yes. Is it really realistic that any of those people might get jobs?</p> <p>Ms Pope: I would have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 103

AE15/064	OSB	Senator Kim Carr	Funding Anti-people Smuggling Strategic Communication	<p>Senator KIM CARR: So it is all spent externally?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I will have to clarify that. There is some onshore expenditure, but I will have to take on notice how it is broken down.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 107
AE15/065	OSB	Senator Kim Carr	Funding Anti-people Smuggling Strategic Communication	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Will there be an evaluation of the campaign?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: Yes, there will be an ongoing evaluation looking at the perceptions of target audiences.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Who will undertake that evaluation?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: We have some contractors who undertake that work for us, but I might take that question on notice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Would you take that on notice. Will there be any evaluation undertaken domestically?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: Again, I will take that question on notice—to indicate that mechanism.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Thank you. Will there be any focus groups?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I will have to take that question on notice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Will there be any other polling?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I am not sure if you are implying something but I will just take it on notice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: I just asked a question.</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: I will take on notice the question of the mechanism of communication campaign validation or confirmation.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 107
AE15/066	1.1	Senator Kim Carr	ADV Ocean Shield	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Was that \$31 million spent in 2014-15? Is that correct?</p> <p>Mr Quaedvlieg: I would have to take the question on notice to be 100 per cent accurate, but it sounds correct.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 108

AE15/067	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Kim Carr	ADV Ocean Shield	<p>Mr Quaedvlieg: The majority of the works have already been undertaken in Singapore, but there are some additional modifications that we need to make to the vessel in order to make it entirely operable for the Southern Ocean. I understand that work will take place in Hobart.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Was there a tender issued for the modifications?</p> <p>Mr Quaedvlieg: We will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: I would appreciate it if you could provide the details of that tendering arrangement.</p> <p>Mr Quaedvlieg: Yes, we will do. I suspect it might be access to existing contractors for our marine fleet. But I will come back and confirm that for you.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 108
AE15/068	2.1	Chair / Ian Macdonald	Royal Commission - Child Abuse	<p>Mr Pezzullo: Chair, I might exercise the secretary's prerogative to go first. I was asked a question, particularly by Senator Carr, about our dealings with the royal commission regarding institutional responses to child abuse. I indicated that we had not been called, nor had notice been served for us to appear before that royal commission. But I said that we had been in touch with the commission and we knew that they had a watching brief or that they were observing the proceedings that had arisen pursuant to the inquiry conducted by the Human Rights Commission. I have since been advised and apprised myself of the fact that a number of documents have been prepared and sent to the royal commission. In the time available I have not established them—this is the element that remains on notice—and I would prefer to answer it formally on notice as to whether the documents were volunteered to the commission by my officers or whether they were asked in a manner short of a full notice to appear. But a number of documents have been provided and we continue to engage in ongoing cooperation with the secretariat to the royal commission. As to the status of those documents and whether they were, as it were, compelled, that is the element that I will retain on formal notice and provide a written response to the committee. But, yes, we have had dealings with the royal commission and have provided them with certain information that, subject to the privilege of that commission—I am just not quite sure what the rules are there—we will take formally on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 111

AE15/069	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young/Senator O'Sullivan	Child Safeguard Program	<p>As an additional measure, we have implemented a child safeguarding protocol of one of our service providers, Save the Children, who obviously have some expertise in this regard. They have helped us draft a protocol that all workers on Nauru abide by. The training and qualifications, including these, are reviewed monthly on a sample basis through the service contracts.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could I ask you to table a copy of that protocol.</p> <p>Mr Painting: We will take that on notice, but yes.</p> <p>CHAIR: When was the protocol completed?</p> <p>Mr Painting: I could not be specific. It was in the life of this contract, so in the last year or thereabouts. But we will certainly get it.</p> <p>CHAIR: Could you on notice indicate to me whether that was part of the original arrangement made by the then Prime Minister with the government of PNG and Nauru when this arrangement was first entered into?</p> <p>Mr Painting: I see. I am quite confident that was not the case, but we will find it exactly.</p> <p>Senator O'SULLIVAN: Could you take on notice what protocols were in place at the time, if any, with respect to this same issue?</p> <p>Mr Painting: Certainly.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Is that the only check or training program that exists for them, as opposed to Australian staff? Has anybody been found to be in breach of that protocol?</p> <p>Mr Painting: I would have to take that on notice to be certain.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 112
AE15/070	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Breaches of Protocol	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: What is the recourse if the protocol is broken?</p> <p>Mr Painting: I will have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 113
AE15/071	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Breaches of Protocol	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: You were going to take on notice whether anyone had been disciplined for a breach of the protocol. In addition to that I would like to know how many reports of breaches of the protocol there have been. That would obviously be the first step before working out whether somebody was guilty of a breach, I imagine.</p> <p>Mr Painting: Yes.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 113

AE15/072	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Expansion of Facilities - Manus Island	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So who are the contracts for the building of the expansion of the facilities at Manus Island with then?</p> <p>Mr Painting: The ones I mentioned were service contracts. You are referring to the capital construction contracts and I do not have that information with me.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you take that on notice?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 113
AE15/073	3.1	Chair / Ian Macdonald	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>CHAIR: Was the information that you have just given us available to the Human Rights Commission—that there was a cyclone coming and that the kids had to be moved for their own safety but refused to do so? Are you aware whether that was all made available to the Human Rights Commission?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I was not involved in the reporting to the Human Rights Commission at the time, so I would need to take advice, probably on notice—unless Ms Pope may know.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 114
AE15/074	3.1	Senator Kim Carr	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>Senator KIM CARR: Sure. I am asking another question: do you dispute the statement that the Human Rights Commission has made on page 161 regarding the cyclone and the use of force?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I do not know that I would be in a position to either confirm or dispute it without taking further advice.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: So you would like to take that on notice, would you?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I will.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 115
AE15/075	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	16 year Girl - Darwin Detention	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do you know how long she had been in detention in Nauru?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I do not have that information to hand. I will take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I want to know what type of assistance and mental health support this young woman was being given before she threw herself off a building?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I do not know that. I will need to take that on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Was she considered to be at high risk prior to throwing herself off the building, Mr Douglas?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 116
AE15/076	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	19 Allegations of Sexual Assault	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Are you aware as to whether that allegation is one of the 19 allegations of sexual assault that was referred to earlier or is that perhaps an additional allegation?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I do not know. I would need to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 116

AE15/077	3.1	Chair / Ian Macdonald	16 year Girl - Darwin Detention	<p>CHAIR: I appreciate that. That is very wise. But while you are doing that could you let me or the committee know how that information came to you tonight and how long your officers had known about it and where they got the information from and at what time?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: We will provide that in the answer we give on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 117
AE15/078	3.1	Senator Reynolds	Excessive use of Force	<p>Senator REYNOLDS: You have used that as an example of 'claims not affording procedural fairness or right of reply'. You said 'claims'—plural. So there are other circumstances, incidents or allegations in the report about which you think you were not afforded procedural fairness or the right of reply. Rather than take up time now, is it possible to take on notice the provision of other examples in relation to that particular point?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will take it on notice, because later on in the analysis prepared by my officers—remembering that I have provided in evidence earlier information that we had a liaison team working with the inquiry, obviously trying to provide it with as much information responding to its notices et cetera—I note in the same paragraph that you have just read from: 'There are many similar claims made regarding the misconduct of individuals where it was also the case that insufficient detail or context was provided in order to allow proper investigation.' That is under a general subheading of claims being made but not afforded the procedural fairness right of reply. Whether we can particularise those claims by going back to looking at the—</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: I am happy for you to take that on notice.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I think I will have to.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 118
AE15/079	2.1	Senator O'Sullivan	Human Rights Commission Inquiry	<p>Mr Pezzullo: I note, in this attachment that I did send to the commission, that, as early as March 2014, which is, from memory, within eight weeks or so of the commencement of the Human Rights Commission's inquiry, the commission had been formally requested—I do not know in what form; I will take that on notice—to put substantive evidence of misconduct directly to the secretary.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 119

AE15/080	2.1	Senator Reynolds	Human Rights Commission Inquiry	<p>Senator REYNOLDS: Thank you very much, Mr Pezullo. In deference to time, if you could take on notice on that point—the other things that I am interested in are the untested claims and subjective observations where it was said that there are armed guards at immigration facilities in Australia, which clearly you have refuted. But also—</p> <p>Mr Pezullo: If I remember, Mr Bowles did it when he appeared before the president and her officers. I think it is actually quoted in the report. I recall him giving evidence to that effect in July or August of last year directly refuting the claim. How it has ended up or how the imputation continues to be in the debate about this issue, I just do not know. Mr Bowles dealt with that at the time.</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: Thank you. There was that one—if you could take on notice for any other examples like that—but the ones that I was particularly concerned about were in relation to physical health and welfare. You cite one example here: we witness many children with respiratory infection and that they were always sick and it was particularly prevalent. Your evidence is almost completely opposite to that which you have provided here: in fact, there wasn't a high respiratory rate and a number of other issues. If you could take that on notice as well and any other health and welfare issues that you have disputed.</p> <p>Mr Pezullo: I think, Senator Reynolds, just so that my office is clear is what you are asking—and I think I am hearing you to say—is not by nine o'clock tomorrow morning but in the regular notice period.</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: Certainly for my request, because I realise that it is a lot of information, so under normal circumstances.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We will catalogue those as comprehensively as possible on notice under each of the headings that appear in the attachment. Am I understanding your question?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 119-120
AE15/081	2.1	Chair / Ian Macdonald	Human Rights Commission	<p>CHAIR: Before we go to Senator Madigan, the final question from me on that Human Rights Commission report: I heard about the children being wrestled to the ground. I see that the videos taken were taken by staff of the centre.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Yes.</p> <p>CHAIR: How old was the child in question, because he looks to me to be a pretty big child physically?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We will take on notice their age.. I think they were at the older end of the child spectrum, so under 16 but at the larger end, just looking at those still images. I would have to take it on notice. Just to be precise, the use of force involves a restraint. The description 'wrestle to the ground' is probably colloquially right. They were being restrained in accordance with approved holds. We will take on notice their age.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 120

AE15/082	3.1	Senator Madigan	Nauru family health risk report	<p>Senator MADIGAN: How many of the recommendations from the Nauru family health risk report that I mentioned earlier have been implemented, if any? Could you take it on notice, and would it be possible to get a full account of the actions taken against the recommendations at a later date?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I will just check with Mr Painting. I might have missed Mr Painting's evidence earlier. Are we familiar with this report and its provenance?</p> <p>Mr Painting: Certainly, I have not personally seen it. So we would have to take that on notice anyway.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 122
AE15/083	3.1	Senator Madigan	Babies in detention	<p>Senator MADIGAN: Lastly, what is the current average time of detention for babies and children on Nauru?</p> <p>Mr Painting: I do not have an average, I am sorry.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I suspect we will have to take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 123
AE15/084	3.1	Senator Bilyk	Detainee Self Harm	<p>Senator BILYK: I do not think you will be able to answer this, judging by your answer to the last question. My question was going to be: is it up or down on previous periods? There is also the incidence of detainee self- harm.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: It might be that we take it on notice, because that will give us a degree of elapsed time so that I can fulfil my duty to brief my minister with a report that I have received. I owe him some advice. I think it would be possible for us to come back on notice with data about self-harm.</p> <p>Senator BILYK: I think the rest probably need to go on notice, too: what is the incidence of mental and physical illness amongst detainees; how many events involving the physical restraint of detainees?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Is this all Nauru?</p> <p>Senator BILYK: Yes.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: Given the self-evident interaction that I have drawn attention to throughout the day with the so- called Moss review, I would prefer to take your questions on notice. Within the notice response period, we will see what we might be able to provide to the committee.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 123

AE15/085	3.1	Senator O'Sullivan	Detainee Self Harm	<p>Senator O'SULLIVAN: So, I want to particularly talk about the self-harm. Has the incidence of self-harm, to your knowledge, been tickety toc across all of the centres, all of the time over the last—let's take the last five years.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: For that sort of time series, I would have to take that on notice to give you a scientific answer. I think, like Mr Douglas's evidence, it probably does wax and wane to same extent. I am not sure, Senator, how that compares with tickety toc. I am not quite sure if that is a reference to a—</p> <p>Senator O'SULLIVAN: Ever-present. Has it been ever-present in each of the facilities that are isolated from each other over a long period of time; is it a recent trend; or did it spring up on Christmas Island for the six months in the last half of 2013 that was not present elsewhere?</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: I think, Senator, it is such a sensitive area. There are all sorts of reasons that go into people's decision to self-harm—motivations. I think I would prefer to take it on notice and, if there is anything that we can sensibly describe by way of that answering that trends—</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 124-125
AE15/086	2.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Children in Detention	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: How many children in total are under the guardianship of the minister?</p> <p>Ms Pope: It is a proportion of those 185. I would have to take that on notice, because some of those unaccompanied minors are wards of the minister and some of them are not. It depends on the adult company in which they entered the country and so on. The relationship might not be close enough to cover them and have them not come under the purview of the I(GoC) Act. Others do. There is an assessment that is made around the status of each of the unaccompanied minors. That bit I would need to take on notice.</p> <p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could you take that on notice. I am not too fussed about where they are located. I just want to know, in total, those that are part of the caseload legacy, anyone on a bridging visa, anyone in community detention and anyone in detention. I want to know how many children are under the guardianship of the minister.</p> <p>Ms Pope: Certainly. I can get that for you.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 126

AE15/087	3.1	Senator Hanson-Young	Mental Health screening	<p>Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I want to know why the department has directed IHMS to stop asking about torture and trauma issues in the initial mental health screening. My understanding is that happens at the initial stage. Of the 157 who arrived last year—that is the boatload of people who were transferred to Curtin and then to Nauru—how many of those people were referred to torture and trauma counselling once they were sent to Nauru? Take that on notice, please.</p> <p>Mr Pezzullo: We will.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 126
AE15/088	2.1	Senator Bilyk	Visa's granted to Syrians and Iraqis	<p>Senator BILYK: How many of the Syrian nationals resettled through this arrangement came from refugee camps in neighbouring countries?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I will take that on notice to provide exact numbers, but most of them would have come from refugee camps in neighbouring countries, be they Jordan, Turkey or Egypt.</p> <p>Senator BILYK: How many visas, so far, have been allocated through the Special Humanitarian Program and how many were UNHCR referred?</p> <p>Mr Kukoc: I do not have that exact number. I will take this on notice</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 127-128
AE15/089	1.1 ACBPS	Senator Bilyk	Enhancing Passenger Processing Systems	<p>Senator BILYK: What was the cost of enhancing the passenger processing systems?</p> <p>Mr Hoitink: I might need to take on notice the specific amounts. As I mentioned, we are still working with both Malaysia and Indonesia around the arrangements for these. What is identified in the document is some \$18.8 million. It is from within that budget arrangement that we are negotiating the arrangements for the APP establishment in those countries. Of course, what the funding might be is yet to be specifically identified.</p> <p>Senator BILYK: Perhaps you could take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 129
AE15/090	2.1	Senator Bilyk	Humanitarian Program	<p>Ms Noble: The places in the humanitarian program have been increased by 7,500 over the next four years.</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: What sorts of categories are these visas for?</p> <p>Ms Noble: I do not have that detail on hand, I am afraid, so we will take that on notice.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 129

AE15/091	2.1	Senator Bilyk	Humanitarian Program	<p>Senator BILYK: Didn't it used to be 20,000?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: There was a period where it had been increased to 20,000.</p> <p>Senator BILYK: So there has been an overall drop from 20,000?</p> <p>Mr Fleming: I would have to—</p> <p>Senator REYNOLDS: That was about a decade ago, though.</p> <p>Senator BILYK: I do not think so.</p> <p>Mr Fleming: That is my understanding. We obviously have on notice the numbers—</p> <p>CHAIR: It was announced two weeks before the election, or something, and never implemented.</p> <p>Mr Fleming: We have on notice the numbers delivered for the last seven years—I think that is what you said, Senator Reynolds—</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 129-130
AE15/092	2.1	Chair / Ian Macdonald	IAAAS Scheme	<p>1. What exactly was the IAAAS scheme?</p> <p>2. To whom was assistance made available under this scheme - who were the "people living in the community, in hardship" described in the Department's answer to Question On Notice SE14/009?</p> <p>3. Who made the decision as to who was eligible for assistance as a person "...living in the community, in hardship"?</p> <p>4. Who made the decision on the amount of the payment that would be made?</p> <p>5. Who were the parties to the "limited contractual arrangements" described in the Department's answer to Question On Notice SE14/009?</p> <p>6. On cessation of the assistance on 31.03.2014, has there been any appreciable reduction in the number of migration agents seeking registration or in the number being de-registered?</p> <p>To put it another way: What was the annual registration of migration agents prior to 31.03.2014 and what has been the average figure since? Please also advise similarly for the de-registration of migration agents.</p>	Written
AE15/093	1.1	Nick Xenophon	Asbestos in Vehicles from China	<p>1. I note Customs can take prosecution action against importers – with penalties up to \$170,000 for individuals, \$850,000 for companies or three times the value of the goods – whichever is greater. Are there other enforcement actions available to ACBPS?</p> <p>2. How many times have importers been prosecuted for importing goods containing asbestos since the introduction of asbestos products was made illegal? What penalties have been applied in these cases?</p>	Written

AE15/094	1.1	Nick Xenophon	Legislation and Penalties - Asbestos in Vehicles	<p>What efforts do Customs take to make importers in China aware of the legislation and penalties surrounding the importation of products containing asbestos?</p> <p>a. How much funding is currently allocated to education, campaigns and outreach activities?</p> <p>b. Can you provide detailed information about these programs?</p> <p>c. How does the Department monitor whether key outcomes are being met by these activities?</p>	Written
AE15/095	1.1	Nick Xenophon	Ateco Automotive Recall	<p>I note in 2012, the Ateco Automotive recall of almost 25,000 Great Wall and Chery Chinese cars after asbestos was found in the engine and exhaust gaskets.</p> <p>What investigations are taking place into the presence of asbestos in imports in the following industries:</p> <p>a. Automotive</p> <p>b. Mining</p> <p>c. Building</p>	Written

AE15/097	1.2	Nick Xenophon	457 Visa's	<p>I understand as a part of the Department's review of the skilled migration and temporary activity visa programmes, the Department released the proposal paper Simplification of the skilled migration and temporary activity visa programmes - December 2014.</p> <p>I understand the paper proposed a new temporary-entry permit to allow overseas workers to stay in Australia for a year without a 457 visa.</p> <p>This visa would allow for entry into Australia for up to 12 months to complete specialised work which may include intra company transfers and foreign correspondents. This visa could be granted for up to 12 months, depending on the work or activity to be undertaken.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What does the Department define as "specialised work"? What eligibility requirements would have to be met by applicants? 2. Would there be any requirement for employers to demonstrate they have looked for local workers, such as required under a 457 visa? If not, why not? 3. How does the Department respond to claims that this proposal, along with proposals to abolish the requirement for language and skills tests for temporary overseas workers would worsen unemployment levels in Australia which are currently at a 10-year-high? 4. What research has been undertaken by the Department on the potential impacts of such a visa on Australian unemployment levels? 5. How does the Department plan to monitor potential impacts of Australian employment? 6. I refer to the comments by CFMEU national secretary Michael O'Connor in the media that, "The impact on young people will be particularly harsh. Youth unemployment is at crisis levels, yet the majority of 457 visa approvals are for people under 30." <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Can the Department advise of what percentage of 457 visa approvals (the sponsored applicant) are aged under 30 years old in the years 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014 and 2015 to date? b. Mr O'Connor was also quoted as saying that one in five workers on 457 visas already were being paid below-standard wages. Does the Department consider that the proposed relaxation of requirements could undermine Australian wages and conditions and lead to further exploitation of foreign workers? 7. What proposed safeguards are in place to ensure foreign workers are not exploited? 	Written
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AE15/098	2.1	Kim Carr	Human Rights Inquiry	What medical and support services are provided to children who have suffered alleged sexual assaults in the Nauru OPC?	Written
AE15/099	1.1	Kim Carr	Staffing	How many Senior Executive Staff were at DIBP on 30 June 2014? How many Senior Executive Staff are there as at 28 February 2015? How many Senior Executive Staff have left DIBP since 30 June 2014?	Written
AE15/100	1.2(ACBPS)	David Leyonhjelm	International Airports	Could you advise the outcomes of the review into the International Airport Operators Guidelines?	Written
AE15/101	1.1	Kim Carr	Staffing	a.Since 1 July 2014, how many SES who worked in Customs-roles prior to September 2013 have been promoted? People Division b.Since 1 July 2014, how many SES who worked in immigration-roles prior to September 2013 have been promoted?	Written
AE15/102	1.1	Kim Carr	Staffing	How many ASL are allocated to the Migration Policy Division as at 28 February 2015? How many ASL were allocated to the Migration Policy Group prior on June 30 2013?	Written
AE15/103	1.2(ACBPS)	David Leyonhjelm	International Airports	A 2012 federal government study found that six existing airports could support direct New Zealand flights. Can you advise what progress has been made in upgrading Avalon, Canberra, Hobart, Newcastle and Sunshine Coast for limited international status?	Written
AE15/104	1.2(ACBPS)	David Leyonhjelm	International Airports	Have infrastructure barriers to limited international status been identified and prioritised?	Written
AE15/105	1.1	Kim Carr	Policy Division & outcomes	a.Before the restructure, was there a group of divisions dedicated to policy outcomes headed by a Deputy Secretary? Does this group of divisions exist now? Policy b.What is the departmental funding associated with the Migration Policy Division? How does this compare as a proportion of total funding; and in relation to each other division?	Written

AE15/106	1.1	Kim Carr	Executive Organisational Structure	<p>Please provide the top structure organisation chart as at 28 February 2015. Exec Division</p> <p>Please provide the top structure organisation chart as of June 30 2013.</p>	Written
AE15/107	1.1	Kim Carr	World Customs Organisation	<p>a.ACBPS Maintains a Membership of the World Customs Organisation which is listed as a contract worth \$1.9 million over 6 years. Provide a breakdown of what this contract provides.</p> <p>b.Did ACBPS attend any conferences as part of its membership of the World Customs Organisation?</p> <p>c.Provide details on the numbers of customs officials that attended the conferences and the costs associated with attendance</p>	Written
AE15/108	1.1	Kim Carr	Relocation removal services	<p>a.ACBPS has a contract with Patrick Stevedores Operations for the provision of relocation removal services to the value of \$78.2 million.</p> <p>b.Provide a breakdown of the items listed in this contract and the values of the items.</p>	Written
AE15/109	1.2	Kim Carr	Blueprint for reform 2013-2018	<p>a.Part of the Blueprint for reform 2013-2018 document was a commitment to the development of a new Career Planning framework which provides officers with the opportunity to develop individualised career plans linked to reform.</p> <p>b.Where is this process up to?</p> <p>c.How many officers have taken up this option?</p> <p>d.Does ACBPS feel that this promotes integrity within the system?</p> <p>c.Given that in the latest round of Enterprise bargaining ACBPS is looking to strip away shift, working away from home and on water allowances – is there a fear that this may cause integrity issues with officers?</p>	Written

AE15/110	1.2(ACBPS)	Kim Carr	Ebola	<p>a.How are humanitarian workers returning to Australia from Ebola zones flagged before they travel (are their passports tracked, etc)?</p> <p>b.What are the broad reasons for a traveller's passport being flagged?</p> <p>c.What sequence of events is triggered when a traveller checks into a flight bound for Australia with a flagged Australian passport? Is there a difference in this sequence for a humanitarian worker in comparison to a traveller who has their passport flagged for a different reason?</p> <p>d.Which agencies work together on this protocol on the case of returning humanitarian workers?</p>	Written
AE15/111	1.2(ACBPS)	Kim Carr	Ebola	<p>a.What happens when a humanitarian worker checks in and boards their plane overseas to return home with a flagged passport?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Who speaks to them? o What do they ask? <p>b.When they land in Australia – what happens then?</p> <p>c.How long might they be detained for?</p> <p>d.If an Australian humanitarian worker had undergone their 21 day quarantine period, would there be cause to question them at length on re-entry to Australia?</p>	Written
AE15/112	1.2(ACBPS)	Kim Carr	Ebola	<p>a. Has the Department of Immigration and Border Protection received complaints from the Health Department regarding the handling of re-entry issues?</p> <p>b. Has the Department of Immigration and Border Protection received any complaints regarding the handling of re-entry issues?</p>	Written
AE15/113	1.2(ACBPS)	Kim Carr	Humanitarian Workers	<p>Has the Department of Immigration and Border Protection made efforts to welcome humanitarian workers home and thank them for their service?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o How? o How many workers? 	Written

AE15/114	1.2(ACBPS)	Kim Carr	Biometrics	<p>a.Can you outline what the term 'biometrics collection' involves?</p> <p>b.What is done with the data collected via biometrics?</p> <p>c.Is the collection of biometrics mandated for all visa applicants?</p> <p>d.What happens if a person declines to provide biometrics as part of their visa application?</p> <p>e.Are biometrics collected for Australian Citizens or Permanent Residents?</p> <p>f.Does it make a difference if the application is lodged onshore or offshore?</p> <p>g.When did onshore biometrics collection start for Protection visa applicants (asylum seeker)?</p> <p>h.What is the progress of rolling out the offshore visa applicant biometrics collection?</p> <p>I.Has there been any additions made to the collection points, or visa classes required to provide biometrics made in 2014?</p>	Written
AE15/115	2.1	Kim Carr	Serco Staff	<p>a. There have been media reports that the number of incidents involving Serco staff and detainees has increased. How many incidents have occurred over the past 18 months?</p> <p>- Is this up or down on previous periods?</p> <p>- Has there been an increase over the past year?</p> <p>b.What is the incidence of detainee self-harm?</p> <p>c.What is the incidence of mental and physical illness amongst detainees?</p> <p>d.How many events involving the physical restraint detainees have occurred?</p> <p>e.Have there been any reports of detainees physically or verbally assaulting Serco employees?</p> <p>f.Have any of these events of physical or verbal assault involved a detainee's bodily fluids?</p> <p>g.How many OH&S reports have been made concerning Serco employees in the performance of their duties under the service agreement with the Commonwealth?</p> <p>h.What is the incidence of Serco immigration services employees making WorkCover claims? How many of those claims relate to the mental health impacts of their work?</p> <p>i.What is the turn-over of Serco immigration services employees? What is the average length of employment?</p>	Written

AE15/116	2.1	Kim Carr	Detainee Self Harm	<p>a.What is the incidence of detainee self-harm?</p> <p>b.What is the incidence of mental and physical illness amongst detainees?</p> <p>c.How many events involving the physical restraint detainees have occurred?</p> <p>d.What training is provided to staff to deal with incidences of mental and physical illness amongst detainees?</p> <p>e.What level of access to physical and mental health care services do detainees have</p>	Written
AE15/117	2.1	Kim Carr	Resettlement - Cambodia	<p>a.How many refugees have accepted resettlement in Cambodia?</p> <p>b.What is the timeframe for the first resettlement of refugees from Nauru to Cambodia?</p> <p>c.How much has been spent on purpose built facilities and settlement services for refugees resettled from Nauru to Cambodia?</p>	Written
AE15/118	2.1	Kim Carr	Support Services - resettlement	<p>a.What settlement and other support services are provided to refugees who have been resettled on Nauru?</p> <p>b.Does the Australian government provide services to pregnant women who have been resettled on Nauru?</p> <p>c.What protocols are in place to transfer high risk or high care pregnancies to Australia once the woman has been resettled into the Nauru community?</p>	Written
AE15/119	2.1	Kim Carr	Advisory Committee - Manus Island	<p>a.In an answer to a Senate Estimates Question on Notice from October 2014, the Department of Immigration and Border Protection advised that the budget for Manus Island offshore processing includes \$75,000 for an Advisory Committee</p> <p>o what costs have been incurred by the Advisory Committee to date?</p> <p>o what role has the Committee had in overseeing the management of the Manus Island centre?</p>	Written
AE15/120	3.1	Kim Carr	Cornall Report	<p>Answer to SE14/351 states that recommendations 3 and 4 of the Cornall report into the violence in Manus Island have yet to be implemented</p> <p>a.Please provide an update on the progress in implementing these recommendations</p> <p>b.Has the request outlined in Recommendation 4 been made of the PNG Government?</p> <p>c.When does the Government anticipate the recommendations will be implemented?</p>	Written

AE15/121	3.2	Kim Carr	AusTender	<p>Answer to QoN SE14/073 indicated a tender process for services to the Regional Processing Centres was placed on AusTender on 29 October 2014.</p> <p>a.Can you advise the value of this tender</p> <p>b.When did tenders close?</p> <p>c.What will be the length of the contract awarded under this tender process?</p>	Written
AE15/122	1.1	Kim Carr	Media Monitoring	<p>On 2 January 2015, the DIBP advised via tenders.gov.au that they had entered a six month contract valued at \$170,000 for media monitoring services.</p> <p>a.What does this service entail?</p> <p>b.Does this contract cover media monitoring services for the Minister/Assistant Minister's office(s)?</p>	Written
AE15/123	3.2	Kim Carr	Serco Staff	<p>The contractor, Serco, is currently negotiating an enterprise agreement with its employees.</p> <p>a.Are there any funding limits under the service agreement with the Commonwealth which would prevent the contractor from bargaining in good faith?</p> <p>b.What proportion of the money paid to the contractor under the service agreement is spent on labour costs?</p> <p>c.What proportion of those costs are salaries paid to managerial staff?</p> <p>d.What proportion of those costs are wages paid to employees covered by the enterprise agreement?</p> <p>e.What proportion of the money paid to the contractor under the service agreement is spent on administrative costs?</p> <p>f.Are there any efficiencies that could be found to fund wages and conditions for Serco immigration services employees, which reflect the emotional and physical impact of their duties?</p>	Written
AE15/124	1.2	Kim Carr	Visa Application Charge - Partner Visa's	<p>The MYEFO included a measure to increase the visa application charge for Partner Visas (subclass 100, 300, 309, 820, and 801) by 50 per cent.</p> <p>a.On what basis was the fee increase of 50% determined?</p> <p>b.Has the DIBP factored in a reduction in the number of partner visa applications in estimating the revenue from this measure across the forward estimates?</p> <p>c.When was the last time the fee was increased?</p>	Written

AE15/125	1.2	Kim Carr	Ministerial Advisory Council	<p>Has the Ministerial Advisory Council been established? If so, who are the members of the Advisory Council?</p> <p>a.If not, when will it be established?</p> <p>b.What are the Council's Terms of Reference?</p> <p>c.How will members of the Council be selected?</p> <p>d.What is proposed by "simplifying sponsorship arrangements"?</p> <p>e.What is proposed by "change English language requirements"?</p> <p>f.What is proposed by "reforming the Employer Nomination and Regional Migration Schemes"?</p>	Written
AE15/126	1.2	Kim Carr	Fair Work Ombudsman - 457's	<p>a. In relation to concerns over "pay" and or "occupation" what evidence does the Fair Work Ombudsman utilise to establish that further action is required? For example would a pay slip be utilised to establish whether the visa holder is being paid the correct salary?</p> <p>b.Would a salary below the TSMIT (\$53,900) be evidence the employer was paying below the minimum threshold?</p> <p>c. When FWO reports back to DIBP Operational Integrity what does the Department do with the information?</p> <p>d.Does the Department contact all the employers that FWO has indicated it has concerns over?</p> <p>- If not, why not?</p> <p>e. Does that conversation take place over the phone, via email, letter or face-to-face?</p> <p>f.If so, what does it require the employer to do? For example, if the concern is over the pay, what does DIBP require the employer to do to clarify the issue?</p> <p>g.Where there might be a potential breach, the Department undertakes an audit. What is involved in the audit process?</p>	Written
AE15/127	1.2	Kim Carr	Fair Work Ombudsman - 457's	<p>In the 457 visa monitoring report dated 18 September 2014 – 30 June 2014, FWO indicated it had no "prima facie concerns" regarding a dental technician in the NT on a salary of "\$49,200", which is below the TSMIT. Can the Department please advise the rationale for this finding?</p>	Written

AE15/128	1.2	Kim Carr	457 Statistic	<p>Why did the Assistant Minister's office provide <i>The Australian</i> exclusive information that appeared in the paper on 11 December 2014 on 457 statistics that had not been publicly available prior to that date?</p> <p>Will the Government be publishing this information on a regular basis?</p>	Written
AE15/129	1.2	Kim Carr	Temporary Sponsor Visa's	<p>In 2013-14 DIBP had 68 officers to monitor temporary work sponsors – how many are currently employed?</p> <p>How do they monitor the 2,294 temporary work sponsors?</p>	Written
AE15/130	1.1(ACBPS)	Kim Carr	Operational Integrity Team	<p>Does the Department plan to increase the size of the operational integrity team? If so, how many FTEs will be employed?</p>	Written
AE15/131	1.2	Kim Carr	Independent 457 Review	<p>When will the Government hand down its response to the independent 457 review chaired by John Azarias?</p> <p>Will it take up the review recommendation to establish a tripartite body that is represented equally by Government, employee and employer bodies?</p>	Written
AE15/132	1.2	Kim Carr	457 Visa's	<p>a.Please outline the steps the Department takes to verify employers' claims (if any) in relation to 'adverse information' about the applicant or a person associated with the applicant.</p> <p>b.In particular, what action does the Department take to confirm with other regulators (e.g. the FWO) that the applicant employer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - has not been found guilty by a court of an offence under the FWA or other relevant legislation; -has not been found to have acted in contravention of the law by a competent authority; -has not been the subject of administrative action (including being issued with a warning) by a competent authority; or - is not under investigation, subject to disciplinary action or subject to legal proceedings? 	Written

AE15/133	1.2	Kim Carr	457 Visa's	<p>How many employers has the Department approved as Standard Business Sponsors for the 457 visa program, as at 28 February 2015?</p> <p>Of these, how many did the Department refer to the FWO to confirm that the sponsor applicant did not have a record of contravention of the Fair Work Act, and was not currently being investigated by the FWO for possible non-compliance with the FWA or subject to legal proceedings?</p>	Written
AE15/134	1.2	Kim Carr	457 Visa's	<p>Has the Department investigated the student and working holiday visa classes as areas of potential exploitation as reported on the ABC on 18 June 2014 and in the Sydney Morning Herald on 17 January 2015?</p> <p>a. The Department issued \$180,000 worth of infringement notices in 2013-14, how much has it recouped?</p> <p>B. Do the 365 sanctions in 2013-14 account for all of the \$180,000 in infringement notices?</p> <p>C. The Department issued \$180,000 worth of infringement notices in 2013-14, how much has it recouped?</p> <p>D. Do the 365 sanctions in 2013-14 account for all of the \$180,000 in infringement notices?</p> <p>E. What are the latest figures of referrals from FWO to the Department in terms of bar, cancellation, infringement, warning letters, unsatisfactory, satisfactory, active cases, on hand and total?</p>	Written
AE15/135	1.2	Kim Carr	Permanent Visa's	<p>What is the total number of permanent visa applications on hand as of 28 February 2015? Please provide this information by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Visa subclass o Time since lodgement (in 6 month periods) o Previous visa held, if application made from onshore • What is the total number (stock) of permanent visa holders in Australia (i.e. non-Citizens) and by visa subclass? 	Written

AE15/136	1.2	Kim Carr	Permanent Visa's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the 2013-14 program year, 190,000 permanent visas were issued for skilled and family. Over half of these were issues to people already in Australia. Can you please provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o A breakdown of what visas these people held prior to being granted a permanent visa? o The median length of time (by visa subclass) these permanent visa holders were in Australia prior to being granted their permanent visa? 	Written
AE15/137	1.2	Kim Carr	Temporary Entrants in Australia (stock data) statistics	<p>Table 1 in the report “Temporary Entrants in Australia (stock data) statistics” (September 2014) shows the population for various forms of visa categories.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please provide, for each visa category in Table 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The median time period spent in Australia for each visa subclass; -The median length of time the migrants have been in Australia (including previous visas); -The proportion of visa holders who have been in Australia for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Less than 1 year; -1-5 years; -5-10 years; -More than 10 years; • Can you please provide the same answers to the above questions for the population as at September 2011? 	Written
AE15/138	1.2	Kim Carr	Simplification of the skilled migration and temporary activity visa programmes – December 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What prompted the review of the skilled migration and temporary activity visa programmes? • What is the current status of the review? • As at 5 December 2014, 68 submissions had been received – how many submissions were received in total? 	Written

AE15/139	1.2	Kim Carr	Simplification of the skilled migration and temporary activity visa programmes – December 2014	<p>The DIBP Proposal Paper – Simplification of the skilled migration and temporary activity visa programmes – December 2014 – states: “The subclass 485 has been credited with the strong growth within the Higher Education sector with internal modelling predicting that subclass 485 visa holders could potentially exceed 200,000 by the 2017-18 programme year” (page 26).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on this “internal modelling”: <p>-What percentage of current eligible student visa holders are expected to apply for a 485 visa?</p> <p>-How long is the average period of stay expected for each 485 visa holder?</p> <p>-What percentage of 485 visa holders are estimated to transition to another temporary visa when their 485 expires?</p> <p>-What percentage of 485 visa holders are estimated to transition to a permanent visa when their 485 expires?</p> <p>-What percentage of 485 visa holders are estimated to leave Australia when their 485 expires?</p>	Written
AE15/140	1.1	Kim Carr	Funding and Revenue - Visa's	<p>Funding and Revenue collected For each of the following visas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Business Innovation and Investment (Permanent) visa (subclass 888) - Business Innovation and Investment (Renewal) visa (subclass 188) - Business Innovation and Investment (Subsequent Entrant) visa (subclass 188) - Electronic Travel Authority (subclass 601) - Visitor Visa (subclass 600) - Temporary Work (Skilled) visa (Primary) (subclass 457) - Temporary Work (Skilled) visa (Subsequent Entrant) (subclass 457) - Employer nomination scheme (subclass 186) - Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (subclass 187) - Maritime Crew (subclass 988) - Partner (subclass 300) - Partner (subclass 309/100) - Partner (subclass 820/801) - Skilled Regional (subclass 887) visa - Skilled Recognised Graduate (subclass 476) visa - Sponsorship Statutory Declaration (subclass 489) - Skilled Regional (Provisional) Renewal (subclass 489) visa - Skilled Regional (Provisional) Subsequent Entrant (subclass 489) visa - Skilled Regional (Provisional) (subclass 489) visa - Skilled Independent (subclass 189) visa - Skilled Nominated (subclass 190) visa 	Written

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resident Return visa (subclass 155 and 157) - Student visa (outside Australia) - Student visa (in Australia) - Student Further Stay (in Australia) - Temporary Graduate (subclass 485) visa - Superyacht Crew visa (subclass 488) - Temporary Work (Short Stay Activity) visa (subclass 400) - eVisitor (subclass 651) - First Working Holiday visa (subclass 417) - Second Working Holiday visa (subclass 417) – applying outside and inside Australia - Work and Holiday visa (subclass 462) - Extending the work limitation <p>Can you provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Budgeted funding, year-by-year over the forward estimates; -The cost of each visa, year-by-year over the forward estimates; -If any indexation is applied to the cost of the visa, and if so, what level of indexation is applied; and -What revenue is expected to be received, year-by-year over the forward estimates 	
AE15/141		Kim Carr	International English Language Testing System	<p>a.What are the criteria for becoming an IELTS examiner?</p> <p>b.Is English the first language of all examiners?</p> <p>c.What are the top 10 nationalities that sit for the IELTS exam?</p> <p>d.What are the candidates educational qualifications, how many were tertiary students, having gained a degree at an Australian university?</p> <p>e.What nationalities passed? How many times did they have to sit before passing?</p>	Written

AE15/142	3.5	Hanson-Young	China trip	<p>Is the Department aware that the principal construction contractor for Manus Island (Decmil) had claimed and been paid for the supply of accommodation buildings yet has not paid their Subcontractor (ARK Modular) for such buildings, despite signing a statutory declaration to the contrary?</p> <p>Have ARK Modular threatened to remove the accommodation that they have provided from the Manus Island site, if the debt owed to them is not payed?</p> <p>What is the Department doing to investigate the principal contractor for fraud of taxpayers' money?</p> <p>Did ARK Modular, a subcontractor to Decmil, submit a formal claim via a contract variation for the amount of \$43,836.96 to Decmil following an Immigration Department official's travel to China in June of 2014?</p> <p>Why was this amount recovered via a formal contact variation?</p> <p>Has the Commonwealth payed the \$43,836.96 that was claimed regarding the June 2014 trip to China?</p> <p>Is it true that Decmil have both claimed and been paid for the cost of the June 2014 trip to China by the Commonwealth?</p> <p>Is the Department of Immigration aware that ARK Modular has not been paid by Decmil for the cost of the trip?</p>	Written
AE15/143	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	What is the current per person cost for detention in Nauru?	Written
AE15/144	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	<p>What is the current per person cost of visas for asylum seekers and refugees on Nauru? How much has the Government paid for asylum seeker and refugee visas since the camp was reopened?</p> <p>What is the current per person cost of staff visas on Nauru? How much has the Government paid for staff visas since the camp was reopened?</p>	Written
AE15/145	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	In relation to the case of the 16 year old girl who threw herself off the second floor of a building at Blaydin Point, what type of assistance and mental health support was she being given prior to this incident? How long had she been in detention in Nauru prior to her transfer to Darwin? What support services will be available to her, particularly as she is liable to be transferred back to Nauru?	Written
AE15/146	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	How many children remain inside the Nauru detention camp? How many children have been 'resettled' in the Nauruan community?	Written

AE15/147	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	What is the current average time of detention for babies and children in Nauru?	Written
AE15/148	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	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?	Written
AE15/149	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	Does the Department have a policy concerning the time period in which women asylum seekers/refugees are transferred back to Nauru once they have given birth in Australia?	Written
AE15/150	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	Can the Department please provide the number of incidents reported involving children in the Regional Processing Centre on Nauru? What proportion of those incidents involved unaccompanied minors?	Written
AE15/151	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	Can the Department please provide the number of incidents reported involving women in the Regional Processing Centre on Nauru? What proportion of those incidents involved pregnant women?	Written
AE15/152	3.5	Hanson-Young	Nauru	Can the Department please provide information on the nature of education available for children detained in the Regional Processing Centre on Nauru?	Written
AE15/153	3.1	Hanson-Young	Children	How many unaccompanied minors in detention centres have one or more relative/s in Australia?	Written
AE15/154	3.1	Hanson-Young	Children	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?	Written
AE15/155	3.1	Hanson-Young	Children	How many asylum seeker and refugee children are currently living in the Australian community? We now know that a third of those children suffer from mental health disorders, what support services will be made available to these children living in the community?	Written

AE15/156	3.1	Hanson-Young	Children	The Human Rights Commission's report states that children held in immigration detention are 15 times more likely than Australian children to suffer from serious mental health disorders, knowing this, how does the Department intend to respond to these findings?	Written
AE15/157	3.5	Hanson-Young	Cambodian Trip to Nauru	<p>In January this year Australian and Cambodian officials travelled to Nauru to progress the governments deal to resettle refugees;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Who represented Australia on the visit? - What were their roles? - Who represented Cambodia on the visit? - What were their roles? - Did the Minister's Council on Asylum Seekers and Detention go on the trip? - Who from the Council was present? What was their role? - How many people are on the Minister's council? - Did they meet with refugees on the island? - How many people did they speak to? - What was discussed? - What were the results of these discussions? - Has anyone agreed to be transferred? - What was the cost of this trip? Including the expenses of Cambodian officials? - How much has Australia already spent on the Cambodia deal? - How much is the International Organisation for Migration contract costing? 	Written
AE15/158	3.5	Hanson-Young	PNG	What is the current per person cost for detention on Manus Island?	Written
AE15/159	3.5	Hanson-Young	PNG	<p>What is the current per person cost of visas for asylum seekers and refugees on Manus Island? How much has the Government paid for asylum seeker and refugee visas since the camp was reopened?</p> <p>What is the current per person cost for staff visas on Manus Island? How much has the Government paid for staff visas since the camp was reopened?</p>	Written

AE15/160	3.5	Hanson-Young	Moss Review	<p>What was the review process for the Moss Inquiry? How many submissions were received? When did the Department receive the interim report? How many people were interviewed? What proportion of the staff and refugees/asylum seekers were interviewed? How many visits to Nauru did Mr Moss make? Who accompanied Mr Moss on these visits? What were their roles? How many people are on the review panel? Who are they and what are their roles?</p>	Written
AE15/161	3.1	Hanson-Young	Mental Health Screening Statistics	<p>Can the Department please produce the results from the mental health screening of all people held in immigration detention in Australia, Nauru and Manus Island conducted and recorded by IHMS from January 2014 to date? This should be provided on a spreadsheet that lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K-10 item by item scores • HoNOS item by item scores • HoNOSCA item by item scores (under 18) • SDQ scores • Null scores should be included • Client ID • Age • Gender • Country of Origin • Date entered detention • Date of each test • Location at time of test • Date arrived at this location • If person has reported T&T • HTQ score • If person is single or with other family members • Client ID of other family members 	Written
AE15/162	3.1	Hanson-Young	Torture and Trauma Issues	<p>Has the department directed IHMS to stop asking about Torture and Trauma issues in the initial mental health screening?</p>	Written

AE15/163	3.1	Hanson-Young	Torture and Trauma Issues	Of the 157 Tamils held at sea for over four weeks, how many people reported experiences of torture and trauma? How many of these people have been referred to torture and trauma counselling in Nauru?	Written
AE15/164	3.1	Hanson-Young	Torture and Trauma Issues	How many children in detention are receiving, or have received, support from the torture and trauma services? How many of those have finished their treatment? Have any of those children referred refused treatment?	Written
AE15/165	2.1	Hanson-Young	SHEVs Progress	What is the current status of the SHEVs? When will the detailed framework and substance of the scheme be available? Last year the Department stated that the SHEVs would come into effect in April 2015, is this timeline still in place? Do you anticipate that people will be able to apply for a SHEV this coming April? What will the application process be for the SHEV? How will people apply for the visa? What type of support will they receive throughout the application process? Who of the key stakeholders has been consulted about the changes? At the Estimates hearing on Monday 23 February Mr Fleming stated that the Department was working with the states and territories. Have you received feedback from each of the states and territories? What is the nature of this feedback?	Written
AE15/166	2.1	Hanson-Young	TPV Progress	How many people have applied for TPVs? Of those, how many people have been granted TPVs? How many applications are currently being considered? Is assistance given to the applicants? What is the nature of the assistance provided? What assistance is being given to unaccompanied minors?	Written
AE15/167	2.1	Hanson-Young	BVE	Can the Department please provide a breakdown of the nationalities of those asylum seekers living in the community on BVEs? Where are these people being resettled? Could you please advise what the broad locations and figures are for each city and state or territory?	Written

AE15/168	2.1	Hanson-Young	BVE	What support services are provided by the government for asylum seekers on BVEs? What services are reliant upon community groups? Do these community groups receive federal funding?	Written
AE15/169	2.1	Hanson-Young	BVE	How many people, who are considered to be part of the legacy case load, have been granted work rights? Does the Department have figures available on the number of asylum seekers granted work rights who are currently employed? Has the Minister delegated his responsibilities to sign off on work rights to another official? If so, who is now exercising these responsibilities?	Written
AE15/170	2.1	Hanson-Young	Costs of Litigation	What are the total costs to the Department associated with asylum seeker and refugee litigation, for the period 1 July 2014 to date? For the period 2013-2014? For the period 2012-2013? What proportion of these total costs stem from applications made on Manus Island? What were the total legal costs associated with Justice Canning's human rights inquiries? What proportion of the total costs of protection visa litigation are associated with the Regional Processing Centre on Nauru? What was the total amount of money spent on the litigation involving the case of Plaintiff S297/2013 v. Minister for Immigration and Border Protection & Anor? What are the total costs to the Department associated with the litigation over the detention of 157 asylum seekers in CPCF v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection & Anor?	Written
AE15/172	1.1	Kim Carr	DP World Australia Limited Contract	a. ACBPS has a contract with DP World Australia Limited for Container Handling Services to the value of \$79.8 million. B. Provide a breakdown of the items listed in this contract and the values of the items	Written

AE15/173	1.1	Senator Ludwig	Asylum Seeker Reviews	<p>1. Is there an internal review into how many asylum seekers can register with UNHCR?</p> <p>2. Is there a ban on people who are registered with UNHCR to apply to resettle in Australia?</p> <p>3. What kind of consultations were offered to Indonesia before the announcement that asylum seekers would not be able to be resettled?</p>	Written
AE15/174	1.2	Senator Whish-Wilson	Southern Ocean Patrols	<p>a. Has the Government conducted two forty-day surveillance patrols of illegal fishing in the Southern Ocean using Ocean Shield over the 2014/15 summer?</p> <p>b. Does the Government still intend to conduct two forty-day surveillance patrols of illegal fishing in the Southern Ocean using Ocean Shield over the 2015/16 summer?</p> <p>c. What cooperation has Australia had with the French and/or New Zealand Governments in relation to Southern Ocean surveillance patrols of illegal fishing?</p>	Written
AE15/175		Kim Carr	Boats returned to Sri Lanka	<p>Senator KIM CARR: What was the exact number of boats returned to Sri Lanka?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: Three have been returned to Sri Lanka.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Were the three vessels returned with the cooperation of the Sri Lankan authorities?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: They were three take-backs.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Do we have the dates on which these events occurred?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: They have all been advised via monthly updates; I do not have those dates with me.</p> <p>Senator KIM CARR: Could I get you to take that on notice?</p> <p>Lt Gen. Campbell: Yes.</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 95
AE15/176	3.1	Ian MacDonal d	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>CHAIR: My question is: did the officers involved actually have an opportunity to respond to the section that Senator Carr has read out and whatever else was said in the Human Rights Commission report about that incident?</p> <p>Because it certainly puts a new complexion on that particular incident, which I, listening to the questions earlier on today, and not having read the report, thought sounded a bit bad. But I understand it was done as a cyclone approaches Christmas Island—I will not go there, but certainly it required urgent and immediate action. I am just wondering if the officers were given an opportunity to respond to the Human Rights Commission report?</p> <p>Mr Douglas: I am not aware of that. I would need to take that on notice. One last short response, if I may?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 115

AE15/179	3.1	Senator Reynolds	Human Rights Commission Report	<p>Mr Pezzullo: I will need to reflect on that myself overnight. I have before me—and it has been published for general awareness, because it is in the commission's report—the high-level summary of the department's concerns, which includes the material that Senator Reynolds just went to. It does indicate that there were other claims made in the drafts that were available to the officers at the time that they wrote this assessment. The dogs one is the one that is particularised. I do not know what other claims were made, because this all predated my arrival on 13 October.</p> <p>I note, in this attachment that I did send to the commission, that, as early as March 2014, which is, from memory, within eight weeks or so of the commencement of the Human Rights Commission's inquiry, the commission had been formally requested—I do not know in what form; I will take that on notice—to put substantive evidence of misconduct directly to the secretary. I do recall Mr Bowles at times making comments to that effect in evidence in various proceedings. At least at the time that I sent this information, obviously based on a good faith summary of what my officers had provided to me—this attachment is dated November—the department notes that no such evidence had been advanced during the course of the inquiry. We did add the point, given the role and standing of the commission, that it was in fact irresponsible to advance such claims without first having sought to have their veracity investigated. They are pretty direct words for one statutory officer to provide to another. I do concede that. But, given the lateness of the hour, whether other instances of unfounded allegations without any adequate ability for us to reply to them exist in a document that I would be willing to make available—I think you are saying that you want to then put it to the president?</p>	23 February 2015, L&CA 119
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