

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 08 February 2016

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE16/044) - Alleged physical abuse - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah (L&CA 70) asked:

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Could I have some figures on how many children have alleged to have been physically abused or assaulted who have been transferred from Nauru?

Mr Pezzullo: Senator O'Sullivan asked I think pretty much an identical question earlier today, so we will wrap that into the same question on notice.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: He asked about sexual assault. I am asking—

Mr Pezzullo: I think he broadened it.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Did he—okay.

Answer:

As at 8 February 2016, the Department is aware of five children, currently in Australia, who have reported an allegation of assault or abuse while on Nauru (since September 2014).