

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 08 February 2016**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE16/051) - Number of people - Ban of applications assessed onshore to be lifted  
- Programme 2.4: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance**

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah (L&CA 85) asked:

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So the total figure of people in this group that either already have or will eventually have the bar lifted is 30,500?

Mr Kukoc: No. It is 24,500 people who are subject to the fast-track process, for whom the minister has to lift the 46A bar for them to be able to be processed for TPV or SHEV. The other 6,000 were people who previously lodged an application for a permanent protection visa and are, by legislation, deemed to have applied for a temporary protection visa, so they do not need—

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: They do not need the bar lifted.

Mr Kukoc: They do not need the bar lifted.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: So is that exactly 30,500?

Mr Kukoc: It is 30,500 altogether—24,500 fast-track and 6,000 what we call transitional case load.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: This time last year we were talking about a figure of just under 29,000—28,819. I am just wondering where all those extra people have come from.

Mr Kukoc: I will need to take that question on notice. We have the stats as of today.

*Answer:*

There are approximately 30,500 people in the IMA Legacy Caseload, of which approximately 28,000 have not had their final determination.