

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 27 February 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE17/146) - Border Management - Funding after US Refugee Agreement -  
Programme 1.2: Border Management**

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Can you please confirm and provide the cost regarding any extra funding that was allocated to border enforcement or operation sovereign borders following the signing of the US refugee agreement regarding people on Manus Island and Nauru, include how many resources (vessels and staff) have been allocated to on water activities.

*Answer:*

There has been an additional \$7 million worth of funding for both maritime and aerial surveillance. In addition, there was \$15 million for on-water assessments, air transfers, regional command travel costs and strategic communications offshore. There was no increase in average staffing level.