

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(BE14/234) PROGRAMME – Operation Sovereign Borders**

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

How is the Government instructing the navy to deal with people smugglers and traffickers? What policies or guidelines are in place for the effective arrest and prosecution of people smugglers?

*Answer:*

This matter falls within the jurisdiction of the Deterrence and Disruption Task Group, led by the Australian Federal Police (AFP), within the Joint Agency Task Force. There is no Australian Navy involvement.

The AFP applies its standard investigation practices, policies, procedures and guidelines in relation to the arrest and prosecution of people smugglers.