

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 25 May 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE15/161) - Illegal Maritime Arrival Policy - Operation Sovereign Borders

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

- What has been the department's response to the UN Committee Against Torture's November 2014 report that found that Australia's treatment of asylum seekers is in breach of the Convention Against Torture?

Answer:

In accordance with the usual practice, Australia's response to the observations will form the basis of its next periodic report under the Convention against Torture in 2018.

The Department will work closely with the Attorney-General's Department, as the lead Australian Government agency on the matter, in preparation of this response.