

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 25 May 2015**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(BE15/165) - Indonesia take back June 2015 - Operation Sovereign Borders**

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

- "• Was any money paid to anyone on board a vessel en route to Australia or New Zealand by any Customs, Immigration or other Commonwealth officer?
  - Did any Customs, Immigration or other Commonwealth officer facilitate or permit the payment of money to anyone on board a vessel en route to Australia or New Zealand?
  - If yes to either of the above two questions, how much money, to whom and for what purpose?
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*Answer:*

This question falls within the public interest immunity claimed by the Minister of Immigration and Border Protection on 17 June 2015.