

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 06 June 2017**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(BE17/031) - Interceptions - Enhanced Screening appeals - Programme 1.1:  
Border Enforcement**

Senator McKim, Nick (L&CA 86-87) asked:

Senator McKIM: Also could you detail what appeal rights these 765 people have if they do not agree with a decision made during the on-water assessment process and how their appeal rights, if any, are communicated to them during this process.

Mr Pezzullo: I will take that on notice. We have given evidence on that matter before, so I will refresh my memory.

*Answer:*

People intercepted seeking to enter Australia illegally by boat are not prevented from providing information about their personal circumstances at any time while they are detained or otherwise held by Australian Government authorities. All information provided by the person is appropriately considered, consistent with Australia's international obligations.