

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 23 May 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(BE17/090) - Legacy caseload - Legal assistance - Programme 2.4: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance**

Senator McKim, Nick (L&CA 38) asked:

Ms Zakharoff: I will just check with Ms Lauman if we have got the breakdown that you have requested.

Ms Lauman: We have some of those figures. We have got about 500 people who have been referred to PAIS providers who are in the process of making their application.

Senator McKIM: Is that 500 of the 2½ thousand that was just mentioned?

Ms Lauman: That might be in addition to. I will have to clarify.

*Answer:*

As indicated in a correction to testimony, the total number of illegal maritime arrivals (IMAs) assessed as eligible for the Primary Application and Assistance Scheme (PAIS) was 3,716. Of those, 388 IMAs have been referred to a PAIS provider and are yet to lodge an application (at 13 June 2017).