

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/209) - Costa Rica Agreement - Programme 1.6: Regional Cooperation

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Please provide the number of individuals the Department expects to settle in Australia as part of the Costa Rica Agreement

Please provide the number of refugees referrals received by Australia as part of the Coasta Rica Agreement

Answer:

The Department has accepted referrals from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for seven cases (family groups), totalling 30 individuals under the Protection Transfer Arrangement in Costa Rica. These cases are now being considered, but no decisions have been made.

Australia has not specified a number to be accepted under the arrangement.