

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(SE14/138) PROGRAMME – Operation Sovereign Borders**

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Will the Government be seeking the return of lifeboats?

b. If not, will the Government be replacing lifeboats by purchasing more?

*Answer:*

To date, the Government has not sought the return of any lifeboats.

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service has the capacity to acquire more lifeboats as, and if, required.