QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/354) PROGRAMME – 3.5 and 3.6: Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) Offshore Management

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

What is the status of RSD processing on PNG?

- How many claims for protection have been decided?
- How many claims remain to be heard?

Answer:

As at 27 November 2014, 142 transferees had received an initial assessment notification.

Under Papua New Guinea (PNG) law, final determinations are a matter for the PNG Minister for Foreign Affairs and Immigration, the Hon Rimbink Pato. As at 27 November 2014, Minister Pato had made 10 final determinations.

As at 27 November 2014, 423 transferees had not yet had their refugee determination interview.