QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/370) PROGRAMME – 3.5 and 3.6: Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) Offshore Management

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

- How many people have actually been resettled on Nauru?
- What is being provided to this cohort?
- How many remain on Nauru?
- Of this number, how many are in the process of having their claims assessed?

Answer:

As at 27 November 2014, 299 refugees had been settled in Nauru.

Settlement support services are provided on a needs basis and may include provision of accommodation, initial food and care packages, case management, facilitating access to education, employment, and health care, adult English as a Second Language (ESL) training, provision of modest income support and linkage to relevant local services.

As at 27 November 2014, there were 993 transferees in the Nauru Offshore Processing Centre:

- seven were yet to commence a refugee status determination process;
- 913 had submitted applications for refugee status and were awaiting determination of their claim:
- 64 had received an initial negative refugee status determination and had applied to the Nauru Refugee Status Review Tribunal (NRSRT) and were awaiting the Tribunal's decision; and
- nine had received a final negative refugee status determination which had been affirmed by the NRSRT. All nine have applied to the Supreme Court of Nauru for judicial review.