QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 October 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE15/028) - Total number of incidents reported since May 2015 (Last estimates hearing) - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 88) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: How many incidents have been reported at the RPC since the last estimates?

Mr Pezzullo: Incidents? I cannot remember what definition we used last time; I am just trying to recall. Deputy Commissioner Briscoe might be able to update you, but if you want an apples and apples comparison I might just need to remind myself of the definitions we used at the last hearing.

Senator KIM CARR: Reportable incidents are presumably the cases of violence.

Ms Briscoe: I do not have a number since the last estimates period, but I can provide a number for a longer period, which is from 24 March 2014 to 29 September 2015. The total number of incidents of sexual assault is 14; physical assault, 213; and abusive and aggressive behaviour, 798 in that 18-month period.

Senator KIM CARR: Thank you.

Mr Pezzullo: We will need to take on notice, with those numbers, what has been reported since May.

Answer:

Since the last Senate Estimate hearing (27 May 2015 – 29 September 2015), 177 incidents have been reported at the Manus Regional Processing Centre. A breakdown of the incidents is below:

Incident Category	27 May 2015 to 29 September 2015
Alleged sexual Assault	2
Alleged physical Assault	36
Abusive and aggressive behaviour	139
Grand Total	177