

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 17 October 2016

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE16/121) - OSB - Intercepts - Operation Sovereign Borders

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

In relation to Operation Sovereign Border can you please outline:

(a) how many boats were intercepted in 15/16 (b) when (c) where (d) how many people were on board each vessel, (e) how many children were on board each vessel, (f) where did the boats originate (g) how many were turned back

How many turn-backs involved transferring people on to new vessels?

How many times did ABF provide medical treatment to people on-board these boats and what type of medical treatment was administered?

Answer:

From 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016, there were nine people smuggling ventures with a total of 142 persons on board intercepted en route to Australia

The nine people smuggling ventures originated from Vietnam, Sri Lanka or Indonesia. All individuals on board the people smuggling ventures were returned to their country of departure.

To preserve operational security, further details will not be disclosed.