Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

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Topic: List of Detention Centres & insurance arrangements

Senator: Cormann

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Question:

Senator CORMANN: But you are really providing us with a list of all of the detention centres, their insurance arrangements and how much provision is made within Comcover to insure the risk?

Senator Wong: We will take that on notice and provide you with that.

Answer:

For the purposes of responding to the questions on notice we have defined detention centres as any facility whereby people who do not have a valid visa are detained or accommodated while their claims to stay in Australia are considered or their removal is being facilitated. These include Immigration Detention Centres (IDC), Immigration Transit Accommodation (ITA), Immigration Residential Housing (IRH) and Alternative Places of Detention (APOD).

The following properties were declared by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) on 10 June 2011 as Commonwealth owned detention centres and are insured by Comcover:

- Villawood 5 Miowera Rd Villawood, Sydney, NSW IDC
- Christmas Island, Christmas Island IDC
- HMAS Coonawarra (Northern) Darwin, NT IDC
- Maribyrnong 53 Hampstead Rd, Maidstone, Melbourne, VIC IDC
- Port Hedland Dempster St Port Hedland, WA IDC
- Perth Cnr Baker Rd & McComb Rd Redcliffe, Perth, WA IDC
- Cocos Island, Cocos Island IDC
- Curtin RAAF Base, Derby Hwy, Derby, WA- IDC
- Scherger, RAAF Mission River, Weipa, QLD IDC
- Pontville, Pontville Rifle Range (Defence facility), Midland Highway, Pontville, TAS IDC
- Sydney, Miowera Rd, Villawood, Sydney, NSW IRH

- Port Augusta Housing Project, 1-9 Ellis Close, Port Augusta West, SA
- Perth, 97-99 Kanowna Ave, Redcliffe, WA IRH
- Manus Island, PNG IDC
- Broadmeadows, Maygar Barracks, 150 Camp Road, Broadmeadows, VIC ITA
- Brisbane, 100 Sugarmill Road, Meeandah, QLD ITA
- Adelaide, 55 Garland Ave, Kilburn, Adelaide, SA ITA
- Christmas Island Construction Camp -APOD
- Christmas Island- Phosphate Hill -APOD
- Inverbrackie, Defence Facility, SA APOD

We understand that DIAC hold contracts with detention centre operators and that those contracts have insurance provisions for property damage. These insurance provisions are considered in the management of claims.

The following table outlines DIAC's property premiums from 2007-08 to 2010-11 and the proposed premium for 2011-12.

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
DIAC Property Premium	\$1,222,142	\$1,742,060	\$2,277,060	\$2,239,777	\$2,831,421

Note: all amounts are exclusive of GST and discounts