QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 9 FEBRUARY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(128) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Humphries asked:

How many offshore protection visas were granted to Myanmar refugees from Thailand in each of the last three years?

Answer.

The following table shows offshore humanitarian visa grants to people born in Burma in each of the last three program years and to 31 January in the 2009–10 Program.

Program year	Visas granted
2006–07	2030
2007–08	2961
2008–09	2412
2009–10 to 31/1/2010	1258