QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(110) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash asked:

How much financial assistance has Australia provided Indonesia to build, maintain and operate its detention centres?

Answer:

Australia does not provide financial assistance to Indonesia to build, maintain and operate its detention centres. Australia does, however, provide funding to the International Organization for Migration in certain countries in the region, including Indonesia, to improve the care and management of irregular migrants.