

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(113) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash asked:

How many humanitarian refugee visas have been granted out of Indonesia and Malaysia from the caseload of asylum seekers processed by the UNHCR in the 2009–10 financial year and also the 2010–11 financial year to date? What nationalities were they? What type of visas have they been given?

Answer:

The following tables show the number of Refugee category visas granted under the Humanitarian Program to persons in Indonesia and Malaysia by country of birth for the period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010.

Refugee category visas include:

- Subclass 200 – Refugee
- Subclass 201 – In-Country Special Humanitarian
- Subclass 203 – Emergency Rescue
- Subclass 204 – Woman at Risk

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Country of birth	Subclass 200 - Refugee	Total
Afghanistan	62	62
Iraq	21	21
Sri Lanka	16	16
Iran	5	5
Palestinian Authority (so stated)	2	2
Burma	1	1
Indonesia ¹	1	1
Cote D'Ivoire	1	1
Total	109	109

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Country of birth	Subclass 200 - Refugee	Total
Burma	340	340
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The following tables show the number of Refugee category visas granted under the Humanitarian Program to persons in Indonesia and Malaysia by country of birth for the period 1 July 2010 to 28 February 2011.

Refugee category visas include:

- Subclass 200 – Refugee
- Subclass 201 – In-Country Special Humanitarian
- Subclass 203 – Emergency Rescue
- Subclass 204 – Woman at Risk

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Country of Birth	Subclass 200 – Refugee	Subclass 204 – Woman at Risk	Total
Afghanistan	172	8	180
Iraq	114	4	118
Sri Lanka	57		57
Iran	32	5	37
Burma	28		28
Somalia	20	4	24
Indonesia ¹	1		1
Congo (ROC)	6		6
Pakistan	5		5
Guinea	1		1
Grand Total	436	21	457

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Country of Birth	Subclass 200 – Refugee	Total
Burma	178	178
Grand Total	178	178

¹ Refugee visa granted by Jakarta post to one person born in Indonesia in both 2009–10 and 2010–11 - to a child who was born after the grant of a refugee visa to their parent.