

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(197) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash asked:

How many people have broken out of onshore detention facilities since August 2008? How many have been captured and how many are still at large? Have any been removed from Australia? To which countries?

Answer:

As at 28 February 2011, 113 clients accommodated in immigration detention facilities have absconded since August 2008. 75 clients were relocated and the remaining 38 are still at large. Seven of the clients who were redetained have since been removed from Australia. They were removed to:

- India
- New Zealand
- Vietnam
- United Kingdom
- Palestine
- China
- Malaysia