

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(268) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Hanson-Young asked:

Do UAMs have their lawyers' details to call whenever they need them?

Answer:

Yes, UAMs (and all IMAs) are always given their Immigration Advice and Application Assistance Scheme (IAAAS) provider's contact details as soon as the IAAAS assistance service to prepare their statements of claims begins, and they are actively encouraged to contact their provider whenever they feel the need. If a UAM is having difficulty contacting their IAAAS provider, their DIAC case manager will also assist them.