

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(291) Program 2.1 Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash asked:

In relation to SIEV 222, why was this taken to the mainland prior to being taken to Christmas Island? What are the legal implications for those on board SIEV 222? issue?

Answer:

SIEV 222 was not taken to the mainland prior to being taken to Christmas Island.