

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(294) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

When were they transferred to Christmas Island? If they have not yet been transferred, when will they be transferred? [previous Senate Estimates Question on Notice refers to those on board SIEV 227]

Answer:

Of the 76 passengers onboard SIEV 227, 73 were transferred to Christmas Island on 27 January 2011. Two (2) clients were transferred to Curtin Immigration Detention Centre on 9 March 2011. As at 15 March 2011, the remaining client is still in Darwin.

As at 15 March 2011, four Indonesian crew members from SIEV 227 also remain in Darwin.