

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (AE12/0349) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network and

#### Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

What has been the cost of operating the detention facilities at Villawood, in the year to date? Please provide a breakdown of those costs. How many asylum seekers are currently detained there? How many have been released on a bridging visa; into community detention or given a permanent visa?

*Answer:*

Financial figures are for the 1 July 2011 to 31 Jan 2012 period.

Villawood IDC	Actual (\$)
Aircraft Charter Freight and Travel	164,406
DIAC staff costs and allowances	50,658
Interpreting Services	920,947
IT and Communications	340,519
Miscellaneous	1,021,840
Motor Vehicle Expenses	5,576
Property	474,970
Staff salaries	893,145
Client Accommodation Leasing	3,893
detention Services	23,715,058
health services	3,022,565
IAAAS	48,542
IOM / Australian Red Cross	7,133
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>30,669,253</b>

Sydney IRH	Actual (\$)
IMA Education	17,540
Interpreting Services	3,567
Motor Vehicle Expenses	77
Property	5,340
detention Services	1,840,487
health services	317,381
IAAAS	61,266
IOM / Australian Red Cross	7,133
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>2,252,791</b>

As at cob 13 February 2012 according to DIAC operational data:

- The number of Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) accommodated at Villawood Immigration Detention Centre (IDC) was 68.
- The number of Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) accommodated at Sydney Immigration Residential Housing (IRH) was 26.

As at cob 13 February 2012:

- Six IMAs had been released from Villawood IDC on a bridging visa.
- No clients had been released from Sydney IRH on a bridging visa.

According to DIAC operational data, from 10 February 2011 to cob 13 February 2012:

- There have been 36 IMAs placed into community detention from Villawood IDC and 40 from Sydney IRH
- There have been 88 IMAs released on protection visas from Villawood IDC and 14 from Sydney IRH.