

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(AE12/0431) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Cash asked:

Have any declared items brought into the country by IMA's been reported to the relevant authorities including amounts of cash? If not, why not?

*Answer:*

All personal property items in the possession of irregular maritime arrivals are screened by Customs and Border Protection upon interception.

Any money in excess of the \$10,000 AUSTRAC limit is reported by Customs in line with normal reporting requirements for anyone entering Australia.