QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0201) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

What is the value of the contract the government has signed with Transfield for services it is or will provide on Nauru? What services have Transfield been contracted to supply? For how long? How long does the government anticipate that Transfield will be required to provide these services to people on Nauru? Where is this reflected in the forward estimates?

Answer:

The total maximum value of the contract with Transfield Services Australia is \$184.3m.

Transfield Services Australia provides catering, operational and maintenance, facility management, procurement logistics, security and transport services.

The contract commenced on 1 February 2013 for a period of 12 months.

Transfield will provide services for the duration of the contract period. The Department will make necessary arrangements for the provision of services prior to the end of the contract period.

The contract cost is a component of the total funding provided for the care and management of Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMAs).

This is reflected on page 51 of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements 2012-13.