## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013** 

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0332) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many failed asylum seekers from the IMA caseload have been removed from Australia since August 2008?

## Answer:

Between August 2008 and 1 February 2013, of the 2048 Irregular Maritime Arrivals removed from Australia, 152 were failed asylum seekers. The remainder either did not raise claims that engaged Australia's non-refoulement obligations or chose not to have their claims tested.