

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0350) PROGRAM – 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

Has the department assessed any applications from IMA's for complementary protection? How many have satisfied that criteria and been given a permanent protection visa and over what period of time? Have any assessments against complementary protection criteria been refused?

Answer:

All applications for protection assessed after 24 March 2012 have had complementary protection (CP) criteria considered where the applicant did not engage Australia's *non-refoulement* obligations under the Refugees Convention.

Since the introduction of CP there have been 45 protection visa grants given on complementary protection grounds.

Numbers of refused PV applications are published on the DIAC website at:
<http://www.immi.gov.au/media/publications/statistics/asylum>