

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(AE13/0434) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

Was stolen petrol brought to the Manus centre by people involved in the escapes? For what purpose?

*Answer:*

During an incident at the Regional Processing Centre (RPC) at Manus Island on 14 February 2013, a transferee was observed with a plastic bottle containing an unidentified liquid.

It is not known how the container came to be in the possession of a transferee and his reasons for having the container in his possession at the time are not known.