QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/072) PROGRAMME – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Seselja (L&CA 95) asked:

Senator SESELJA: Thank you. I think someone was about to answer the second question I asked in that area. I can repeat it if you would like. It was: of the illegal maritime arrivals who arrived after 19 July 2013, how many had actually been transferred to an offshore processing centre by 7 September last year? Mr Cahill: I think we will take that on notice.

Senator SESELJA: Okay—so the number and then the number that had been transferred. That would be great.

Answer:

During the period 19 July to 7 September 2013, there were 3175 Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs). This figure excludes 128 crew members.

Of these 3175 IMAs, 920 IMAs had transferred to an offshore processing centre by 7 September 2013.