QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/253) PROGRAMME – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

What are the reporting structures for DIBP personnel in regards to violence? Deaths at the facility?
Protests by asylum seekers?
Demands by asylum seekers?

Answer:

The department has an established framework for reporting significant incidents at immigration detention facilities. In accordance with the detention services contract, the detention service provider is required to report significant incidents to the department within specified timeframes.

Serious incidents, including protest action, violent conduct or death, are reported to the department through 24 hour duty phone arrangements. On-call departmental duty officers are located at each immigration detention facility and at National Office.