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Dear Ms Dunstone

HISTORICAL ILLEGAL ENTRY VESSEL ARRIVAL INFORMATION

As I indicated to the Committee on 25 February 2014, I would like to table a compilation of illegal entry vessel arrivals transferred to Australian Government authorities, during the period 18 September to 7 November 2013.

I will continue to review information of public interest for release, where it is no longer operationally sensitive, as the operation continues.

I respectfully request the attachment be tabled.

Yours sincerely

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Enclosure:

1. Illegal Entry Vessel Arrivals Table – 18 Sept 13 to 7 Nov 13

UNCLASSIFIED
Illegal Entry Vessel Arrivals – 18 September 2013 to 7 November 2013

Vessel	Detection		Interception and Boarding		Asset	Transfer to Australian Government Authorities	IMA Numbers Crew Numbers
	Approximate Time / Date	Approximate Location	Time / Date	Approximate Location			
1	0751 AEST 21-Sep-13	30 nautical miles east of Christmas Island	1424 AEST 22-Sep-13	3 nautical miles east of Christmas Island	HMAS <i>Maitland</i>	On 22 September 2013, all 33 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Christmas Island.	31 IMA 2 Crew
2	1157 AEST 22-Sep-13	50 nautical miles west of Ashmore Islands	1521 AEST 22-Sep-13	20 nautical miles north-west of Ashmore Islands	ACV <i>Triton</i>	On 24 September 2013, all 21 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities in Darwin.	18 IMA 3 Crew
3	24-Sep-13	Arrived at Boigu Island	0700 AEST 25-Sep-13	The passengers on the vessel were detained by Australian Government authorities on Boigu Island	ACV <i>Botany Bay</i>	On 26 September 2013, all 7 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Horn Island.	7 IMA
4	2035 AEST 24-Sep-13	145 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	1018 AEST 26-Sep-13	36 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	HMAS <i>Maryborough</i> HMAS <i>Maitland</i> (assisting)	On 26 September 2013, all 72 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Christmas Island	70 IMA 2 Crew
5	1437 AEST 29-Sep-13	70 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	2049 AEST 29-Sep-13	20 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	HMAS <i>Armidade</i> HMAS <i>Maryborough</i> (assisting)	On 30 September 2013, all 82 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Christmas Island	79 IMA 3 Crew
6	0937 AEDT 9-Oct-13	90 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	1738 AEDT 9-Oct-13	50 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	HMAS <i>Warrungga</i>	On 12 October 2013, all 55 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Christmas Island	53 IMA 2 Crew
7	1520 AEDT 10-Oct-13	3 nautical miles north west of West Island, Cocos Keeling Island	1550 AEDT 10-Oct-13	1 nautical mile west of West Island, Cocos Keeling Island	ACBPS 640	On 11 October 2013, all 79 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Cocos Keeling Islands.	79 IMA
8	1404 AEDT 15-Oct-13	34 nautical miles north west of Bathurst Island	1430 AEDT 15-Oct-13	93 nautical miles north west of Darwin	HMAS <i>Pirie</i>	On 21 October 2013, all 42 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Christmas Island	40 IMA 2 Crew
9	1333 AEDT 15-Oct-13	64 nautical miles north north east of Christmas Island	1505 AEDT 15-Oct-13	55 nautical miles north-north-east of Christmas Island	HMAS <i>Warrungga</i>	On 17 October 2013, all 42 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Christmas Island	41 IMA 1 Crew
10	2019 AEDT 18-Oct-13	108 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	1830 AEDT 19-Oct-13	50 nautical miles north of Christmas Island	HMAS <i>Bathurst</i> HMAS <i>Ballarat</i> (assisting)	On 20 October 2013, all 128 people from the vessel were transferred to Australian Government authorities at Christmas Island	126 IMA 2 Crew