

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

### **BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23-24 MAY 2011**

#### **IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

#### **(BE11/0234) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance**

Senator Cash (L&CA 104) asked:

What is the current status in the assessment process of the people at the Scherger detention centre?

*Answer:*

As at 30 June 2011, there were 597 clients at the Scherger Immigration Detention Centre (IDC). Of these:

- 250 clients were at the primary assessment stage;
- 282 clients were at the secondary (review) stage; and
- 65 clients had been unsuccessful at both the primary and secondary stages<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> This includes clients who were seeking Judicial Review, were eligible for Judicial Review but had not yet applied or were on a removal pathway.