

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0324) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash asked:

Has Serco been sanctioned for any of escapes or incidents involving detainees in detention centres in each of the past 4 years? If so, what were the circumstances that required Serco to be sanctioned?

Answer:

Yes, Serco has been sanctioned for escapes under the Performance Management regime for the Immigration Detention Services Contract which came into effect on 1 April 2010.

These sanctions occurred as a consequence of clients escaping during an excursion, an escort, or from the facility.