QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0434) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash asked:

With reference to an article in the West Australian Newspaper on 13 May 2011 entitled "Asylum Seekers held at Jandakot Airport": How many asylum seekers have been housed at the Jandakot Airport Chalets?

Answer.

The number of irregular maritime arrivals accommodated at Jandakot Chalet has varied over the period 2 May 2011 to 30 June 2011 - from a minimum of 16 people to a maximum of 21 people.

Twenty eight people have spent some period of time accommodated at Jandakot Chalet over the period 2 May 2011 to 30 June 2011.