QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0438) 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":

What is the Department paying per night and per week for each chalet? What is the total cost to date incurred by the Department for housing asylum seekers at the Jandakot Airport Chalets?

Answer.

The Department is paying Airport Chalet Centre Pty Ltd a total of \$14 178.10 per week or \$2025.44 per night.

The total cost incurred to 24 May 2011 is \$56 712.40.