

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 24 MAY 2011

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(BE11/0583) Program 3.1: Border Management**

Senator Hanson-Young (L&CA 18) asked:

Out of the 469 figure, what is the average length of time that those people have been held in immigration detention?

*Answer*

For the 469 people waiting for completion of a security assessment as at 16 May 2011, the span of time spent in immigration detention since arrival was as follows:

- 0-9 months            146
- 10-18 months        294
- 19-23 months        29

*(Note – the span has been provided in response to additional comments by Senator Hanson-Young recorded in the transcript of Senate Estimates that “The span would be perfect”)*