QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/644) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

It was also reported that there are no reports of anyone in the group displaying symptoms of poor health. If a person has TB, do they always display symptoms of poor health?

Answer.

According to the World Health Organization, if a person has active TB, they would display the following symptoms: coughing, sometimes with sputum or blood; chest pains; weakness; weight loss; fever; and night sweats.