

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 23-24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0691) Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

In relation to people in community detention, will the government be considering any special deals to regularise their status?

Answer:

There are no special deals. The claims of asylum seekers in community detention are progressed as normal – the placement of clients in community detention does not affect the processing of their claims for asylum.