QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

BE12/0397 Program 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Hanson-Young (L&CA 30) asked:

Of the 109 unaccompanied minors across the detention network have they all been allocated their IAAAS advocate? How many of the 32 unaccompanied minors in Darwin facilities have been allocated their IAAAS advocate?

Answer.

As noted during the hearing (L&CA 30), the number of unaccompanied minors across the detention network needed to be checked. A subsequent check of departmental records indicates that there were 192 unaccompanied minors in immigration detention on 30 April 2012. Of these, 45 had been allocated an IAAAS service provider at 21 May 2012.

Of the 32 unaccompanied minors in Darwin facilities on 30 April 2012, 14 had been allocated an IAAAS service provider at 21 May 2012.