

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0183) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (L&CA 107) asked:

Senator CASH: Do you know what that would equate to as a cost for seven or eight charter flights from Christmas Island to the mainland?

Mr Cahill: I will have to take that on notice. Those aircraft in general take up to 100.

Answer:

During the week of 21 May 2013 – 28 May 2013, a total of seven charter flights departed from Christmas Island to the mainland. The cost for these charter flights was \$827,300.