

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(BE13/0220) PROGRAM – 4.2: Onshore Detention Network**

Senator Cash (L&CA Written) asked:

What is the total value of the Serco contract for 2013-14 and for each of the financial years in the forward estimates?

*Answer:*

The Department currently has two contracts with Serco for the delivery of Detention Services. These are:

- Immigration Detention Centres; and
- Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation.

The value of the Immigration Detention Centres contract, as reflected on AusTender, is \$2,459,879,982 (GST inclusive) for the whole-of-life service cost.

The value of the Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation, as reflected on AusTender, is \$195,410,773 (GST inclusive) for the whole-of-life service cost.

These costs are a component of the total funding provided for the care and management of Irregular Maritime Arrivals (IMAs). The budget for IMAs is developed using a financial estimates model based on IMA arrivals and average occupancy rates across all forms of immigration detention throughout the year.

Estimates are regularly reviewed as part of the Budget process and are dependent on client arrival rates, the client cohort and average occupancy numbers in all placement options.