QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0336) PROGRAM – 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

Have those been exceeded in any centres at any time in 2013-14? When and for how long on each occasion?

Answer:

Client numbers are continuously monitored and adjusted across the immigration detention network to ensure accommodation needs are met. If a centre exceeds published operational capacity it moves into contingency capacity. Specific details on the duration a centre may have exceeded operational capacity are not available as it would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to extract the information.