QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(129) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Kirk asked:

On how many occasions have people been locked in each of the Management Units so far this year? How long have they been kept in units?

Answer:

Neither Perth Immigration Detention Centre (IDC) nor Maribyrnong IDC has a management support unit (MSU).

The number of detainees and the duration of their placement in the MSUs at Baxter Immigration Detention Facility and Villawood Immigration Detention Centre, between 1 January 2005 and 18 November 2005, are as follows:

Baxter IDF

- Four detainees for five days each;
- One detainee for four days;
- Two detainees for three days each;
- One detainee for two days;
- One detainee for one day;
- One detainee for less than 24 hours;
- One detainee for four days in total, comprising one period of three days and one period of one day; and
- One detainee for three days in total, comprising three one day periods.

Villawood IDC

- One detainee for 76 days;
- One detainee for 18 days;
- One detainee for 17 days;
- Two detainees for 10 days;
- One detainee for nine days;
- Two detainees for seven days;
- Two detainees for six days;
- One detainee for five days;
- Three detainees for four days;
- Six detainees for three days;
- Five detainees for two days;
- Twenty-four detainees for one day; and
- Sixteen detainees for less than 24 hours.