QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 20 OCTOBER 2009

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(105) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

For the time that TPVs were in force, please provide the following details:

- a. Total number of TPV holders for each year that the visa was in force;
- b. How many TPV holders were kept in detention including the form and place of such detention:
- c. How many were in community arrangements;
- d. How many were granted permanent visas;
- e. How many were repatriated;
- f. What percentage of the TPV holders had arrived as unauthorised boat arrivals;
- g. What percentage of the TPV holders had arrived as unauthorised air arrivals
- h. What percentage of the TPV holders had arrived on a valid visa, then became unauthorised and subsequently claimed asylum and were given a TPV.

Answer.

- a. The total number of Temporary Protection and Temporary Humanitarian visas granted from inception to abolition was 11206. An accurate breakdown by year is not presently available. The information will be provided when available.
- b. This information is no longer available due to changes to DIAC systems.
- c. This information is no longer available due to changes to DIAC systems.
- d. From inception to abolition 9690 holders were granted a permanent Protection visa and 151 holders were granted another permanent visa.
- e. From inception to abolition, 379 holders departed Australia. No information is held to indicate that departure was other than voluntary.
- f. This information is not presently available, but will be provided when available.
- g. This information is no longer available due to changes to DIAC systems.
- h. This information cannot be collated from DIAC systems information.