## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

## SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 17 OCTOBER 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE11/0317) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Hanson-Young asked:

New onshore processing announcement: What bridging visas are currently available to asylum seekers - what are the conditions? What will the criteria be for determining conditions?

## Answer.

It is proposed that Irregular Maritime Arrivals who are being released into the community following assessment of health, identity and security issues will be granted a Bridging visa E (BVE) and will have permission to work where necessary, and two reporting conditions:

- condition 8401 the holder must report: at a time or times; and at a place;
  specified by the Minister
- o condition 8506 the holder must notify Immigration at least two working days in advance of any change in address.