QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTATY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 17 OCTOBER 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE11/0370) Program 4.2: Onshore Detention Network

Senator Cash asked:

Alternative Detention Arrangements: What hotels are currently being used as alternative places of detention? What has it cost to run each of those facilities since leases or payments were first made and over what period?

Answer.

As at 31 October 2011, the only hotel/motel being used by the Department on an ongoing basis has been the Darwin Airport Lodge.

The operating cost from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 was \$17.3M. The operating cost from 1 July 2011 to 31 October 2011 was \$10.7M.