

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0323) PROGRAM – 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Hanson-Young (written) asked:

Screening out: Under what legal framework are people barred from engaging in the process to seek asylum?

Answer:

Irregular Maritime Arrivals are barred from engaging in the protection assessment process by section 46 of the *Migration Act 1958*.