

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0509) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (written) asked:

What is the seating capacity of each of the types of aircraft chartered by DIAC to fly to and from Nauru?

Answer:

As at 31 October 2012, there have been three different planes used to transport passengers to Nauru; two Boeing 737-300 which have a seating capacity of 120 and 125 respectively, and an A319 airbus which has a seating capacity of 120. Due to fuel limitations all aircraft have a reduced seating capacity of 70-85 passengers for flights from Darwin to Nauru.