QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0548) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (written) asked:

Homestay solution: How many people have been released into these arrangements to date? Where has the accommodation been found – in what states and suburbs? Are they just single males or do they include families and unaccompanied minors?

Answer:

As at 15 October 2012, 461 placements had been made.

Community Placement Network clients had been placed with hosts across all states and territories except the Northern Territory.

A breakdown by suburb is not readily available.

Service providers only refer single adults. Families and unaccompanied minors are not referred.