

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0551) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash (written) asked:

Homestay solution: Have any asylum seekers placed in Homestay been returned to detention? Why? Have any Homestay hosts asked asylum seekers placed with them to leave? How many and why?

Answer:

No bridging visa holders accommodated in the Community Placement Network (CPN) have been returned to detention.

Questions about Homestay hosts' experiences are matters for the CPN which is an initiative of the Australian Homestay Network. The CPN is not a contracted service provider of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.