QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0055) PROGRAMME – 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Singh (L&CA 113) asked:

Senator SINGH: When temporary protection visas were last in place, during the previous coalition government, how many were subsequently refused a further visa on the basis that they were no longer refugees at the time of the decision on their application? Mr Bowles: We will have to take that on notice.

Answer:

Of the people who were initially granted a temporary Protection visa or temporary Humanitarian visa, in the full period from introduction of the visas in 1999 (temporary Protection visas) and 2001 (temporary Humanitarian visas) to abolition of the visas in 2008, a total of 405 applications for further protection from this group were finally determined to be refused.