

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0110) PROGRAMME – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Hanson-Young (Written) asked:

Does the department believe that there is enough time to undertake appropriate health and medical checks, and administer immunisations prior to transfer to offshore detention centres?

Answer:

All elements of the standard Health Induction Assessment (HIA) have been maintained for the 48 hour arrangements which apply to Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) who arrive after 7 September 2013.