

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0127) PROGRAMME – ACBPS

Senator Rhiannon (Written) asked:

Is DIBP aware that numerous HR organisations and journalists have documented cases of torture, abuse and rape of Tamils by Sri Lankan Government officials?

Answer:

Up to date country of origin information from verified and reliable sources is used to determine whether a person should be allowed to remain in Australia in order to have their claims considered, whether they can be removed from Australia, or whether they may be owed protection having regard to their individual claims and circumstances.