QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0377) PROGRAMME – 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

How many people do you expect to settle out of Syria in 2013-14?

Answer:

The Government announced on 3 October 2013 that Australia would resettle 500 Syrian refugees in 2013–14 and the Department is implementing that commitment. In addition a substantial number of Syrians who have fled Syria to neighbouring countries and who have close family ties to Australia will be resettled under the Special Humanitarian Programme.