



Inquiry into the

“Migration Amendment (Unauthorised Arrivals) Bill 2006”

**Response to Question on Notice
Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee
of the Parliament of Australia**

The Migration Institute of Australia Limited
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Question on Notice from Senate & Legal Constitutional Hearing into the *Migration Amendment (Designated Unauthorized Arrivals) Bill 2006* on Tuesday 6 June 2006.

Question sent to members:

Did you have an interest in assisting the asylum seekers on Nauru, and if so, please provide your answers to the following questions.

- (1) Were you granted a visa to assist asylum seekers in Nauru; or
- (2) Have you been refused a visa to assist asylum seekers in Nauru; or
- (3) Did you not bother applying for a visa to Nauru, as you were aware that others who had applied for visas had been refused.

5 members responded to the request for information.

Collated responses:

Question 1 – One was granted a visa to Nauru which was later revoked.

Question 2 – as question 1

Question 3 – 3 did not apply for visas for reason stated in question. One did not apply for visa as the clients did not have funds to support the travel required – telephone contact was used instead.

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