

TEMPORARY PROTECTION VISA HOLDERS, FUNDING

515. Ms McHALE to the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

- (1) Has the Federal Government provided any funding to the State Government to assist with the management of temporary protective visa (TPV) holders?
- (2) If so, how much?
- (3) Has the State formally and in writing requested financial assistance from the Federal Government?
- (4) Has the State agreed to provide additional funds to assist TPV holders?
- (5) If so, how much?
- (6) What accommodation is the State Government making available to TPV holders and where?
- (7) Has the State Government arranged to provide English tuition to the TPV holders?

Mr JOHNSON replied:

- (1) No
- (2) Not applicable
- (3) No. However, I have written to the Federal Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs asking him to consider providing English classes for those people holding temporary protection visas.
- (4) The State Government is concerned about additional requirements for TPV holders. I have requested the Office of Citizenship and Multicultural Interests to co-ordinate a survey of all relevant agencies to provide an indication of current services provided and the estimated costs involved, as well as an indication of any other major demands for services outside of the humanitarian TPV programs, which may in future result in some additional expenditure.
- (5) Not applicable
- (6) None. However, Homeswest has been prepared to offer "no demand" Homeswest housing on application should there be any such housing available.
- (7) No. However, please refer to Part (3) of this answer.