ASSESSMENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN FOR TABLING IN PARLIAMENT

Under s 4860 of the Migration Act 1958

This is the second s 486O assessment on Mr X who has remained in immigration detention for a cumulative period of more than 42 months (three and a half years).

The first assessment 1002247-O was tabled in Parliament on 23 November 2016. This assessment provides an update and should be read in conjunction with the previous assessment.

Name	Mr X
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	1987
Ombudsman ID	1002247-01
Date of DIBP's reviews	9 December 2016 and 1 June 2017
Total days in detention	1,276 (at date of DIBP's latest review)

Recent detention history

Since the Ombudsman's previous assessment (1002247-O), Mr X remained at Villawood Immigration Detention Centre.		
9 June 2016	Transferred to Facility B.	

Recent visa applications/case progression

6 July 2016	Issued with a Notice of Intention to Consider Refusal (NOICR) of his Temporary Protection visa (TPV) application under s 501 of the <i>Migration Act 1958</i> . Mr X responded to the NOICR on 24 July 2016 and 25 July 2016.
19 August 2016	The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the department) provided Mr X with further information that may be taken into account when considering whether to refuse his visa application. Mr X provided a response on 22 August 2016.
8 December 2016	The Minister refused Mr X's TPV application under s 501.
16 February 2017	Applied to the Federal Court (FC) for judicial review.
16 May 2017	The FC remitted Mr X's application to the department for reconsideration.

Criminal history

16 December 2016	Mr X's appeal against his previous conviction of indecent treatment of a
	child under 16 years of age was dismissed.

Health and welfare

International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) advised that Mr X requested a referral to a psychologist on 14 October 2016 to assist him manage situational stressors related to his immigration detention.

IHMS further advised that Mr X was provided with treatment for shoulder pain and a muscle strain.

30 June 2016 –	Incident Reports recorded that Mr X was allegedly the victim of
4 May 2017	numerous minor assaults.

Recent detention incidents

Incident Reports recorded that Mr X was allegedly involved in numerous behavioural incidents during this assessment period, including altercations with other detainees and displaying abusive behaviour towards detention centre staff.

Other matters

23 August 2016	Mr X lodged a complaint with the Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman (the Office) in relation to the management of his previous complaint with the Office. The matter was further investigated and on 3 February 2017 the complaint was finalised.
22 September 2016	Mr X lodged a further complaint with the Office in relation to the conduct of Serco officers at Facility B. The department provided a response on 23 November 2016 and on 16 March 2017 the complaint was finalised.
7 December 2016	The Australian Human Rights Commission informed the department that it was no longer investigating a complaint lodged by Mr X.

Case status

Mr X was detained on 19 June 2012 after arriving in Australia by sea and has been held in an immigration detention facility for a cumulative period of more than three and a half years.

The Ombudsman's previous assessment (1002247-O) recommended that priority be given to exploring options to enable the resolution of Mr X's immigration status.

On 23 November 2016 the Minister noted the recommendation and advised that a submission was being prepared by the department for consideration under s 501.

On 8 December 2016 Mr X's TPV application was refused under s 501 and on 16 February 2017 he applied to the FC for judicial review. On 16 May 2017 the FC remitted Mr X's application to the department for reconsideration.