

**REPORT BY THE COMMONWEALTH AND
IMMIGRATION OMBUDSMAN FOR TABLING IN PARLIAMENT**

Under s 486O of the Migration Act 1958

This is the first s 486O report on Master X who has remained in immigration detention for a cumulative period of more than 24 months (two years).

Name	Master X
Citizenship	Stateless (claimed), born in Country A
Year of birth	2001
Ombudsman ID	1002355-O
Date of DIBP's report	29 March 2016
Total days in detention	731 (at date of DIBP's report)

Detention history

11 April 2013	Detained under s 189(3) of the <i>Migration Act 1958</i> after arriving in Australia as a minor aged 11 with his cousin, his cousin's wife, and their nephew aboard Suspected Illegal Entry Vessel (SIEV) 651 <i>Zauber</i> . He was transferred to an Alternative Place of Detention, Christmas Island.
25 May 2013	Transferred to Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation.
11 June 2013	Granted a Bridging visa and released from detention as part of a family group with his cousin and cousin's family.
29 May 2014	Master X was re-detained and transferred to community detention following a family relationship breakdown.

Visa applications/case progression

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) advised that prior to ministerial intervention, Master X was part of a cohort who had not had their protection claims assessed as they arrived in Australia after 13 August 2012 and were subject to the bar under s 46A.	
11 June 2013	The former Minister intervened under s 195A to grant Master X and his extended family Bridging visas.
15 May 2014	The former Minister intervened under s 197AB to grant Master X a community detention placement following the family relationship breakdown.
29 September 2015	The Minister lifted the bar under s 46A to allow Master X to lodge a temporary visa application.
16 November 2015	Master X was notified that he is eligible to receive the Primary Application Information Service (PAIS) to assist him with lodging a temporary visa application.
14 December 2015	Master X accepted the PAIS offer and was allocated a PAIS provider.

7 March 2016	Master X lodged an application for a Safe Haven Enterprise visa (SHEV).
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Health and welfare

International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) advised that Master X was identified as a tuberculosis contact in 2013 and was monitored as per state policy with no further review required. Master X was also provided with treatment for two sports injuries.

IHMS advised that Master X made multiple threats of self-harm and in July 2014 he was transferred to hospital for a mental health assessment after threatening to commit suicide. He was assessed to be stable and released the same day. Master X disclosed a significant history of trauma in his home country and has limited contact with his family, which his psychologist advised has impacted upon his stress response and ability to manage his emotions. His school also reported that Master X behaved in an aggressive and inappropriate way towards teachers and other students. Master X was supported and monitored by his school and the mental health team, and has received counselling and clinical treatment to help him to manage his emotions and develop more appropriate behaviours.

Case status

Master X was detained on 11 April 2013 after arriving in Australia as an unaccompanied minor aged 11 aboard SIEV *Zauber* and has been held in detention for a cumulative period of over two years.

On 29 September 2015 the Minister lifted the bar under s 46A to allow Master X to apply for a temporary visa and on 7 March 2016 Master X lodged an application for a SHEV.