

**REPORT (ABRIDGED) 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 Mr X and his family who remained in immigration detention for more than 24 months (two years).

Name	Mr X (and family)
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	1978
Ombudsman ID	1002261-O
Date of DIBP's report	15 December 2015

Detention history

14 December 2013	Mr X, Ms Y and their son were detained under s 189(3) of the <i>Migration Act 1958</i> after arriving in Australia aboard Suspected Illegal Entry Vessel 871 <i>Catherine</i> .
3 February 2016	Granted Bridging visas and released from community detention.

Visa applications/case progression

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection advised that prior to ministerial intervention, Mr X and his family were 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.	
29 September 2015	The Minister lifted the bar under s 46A to allow Mr X and his family to lodge a temporary visa application.

Health and welfare

The family was provided with treatment for physical issues. They were also provided with treatment and counselling for a range of mental health issues including a history of torture and trauma, an adjustment disorder, depression, anxiety and insomnia.	
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Case status

Mr X and his family were granted Bridging visas on 3 February 2016 and released from immigration detention.	
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