

**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 Mr X who remained in restricted immigration detention for a cumulative period of more than 30 months (two and a half years).

Name	Mr X
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	1988
Ombudsman ID	1002309-O
Date of DIBP's reports	6 February 2016 and 4 August 2016
Total days in detention	912 (at date of DIBP's latest report)

Detention history

21 July 2011	Detained under s 189(3) of the <i>Migration Act 1958</i> after arriving in Australia aboard Suspected Illegal Entry Vessel 256 <i>Walton</i> . He was transferred to Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre (IDC).
28 July 2011	Transferred to Northern IDC.
13 March 2012	Granted a Bridging visa and released from detention.
30 September 2014	Re-detained under s 189(1) following the expiry of his Bridging visa. He was transferred to Villawood IDC.
4 October 2014	Transferred to Wickham Point Alternative Place of Detention.
21 June 2016	Transferred to Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation.
19 October 2016	Granted a Bridging visa and released from detention.

Visa applications/case progression

23 January 2012	Protection Obligations Evaluation found Mr X was not owed protection.
13 March 2012 – 18 August 2014	Granted five Bridging visas. The most recent Bridging visa expired on 29 September 2014.
27 November 2012	Independent Protection Assessment found he was not owed protection.
4 August 2016	The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) advised that as Mr X has no matters before DIBP, the courts or tribunals he is on a removal pathway.
19 October 2016	Granted a Bridging visa.

Health and welfare

International Health and Medical Services advised that Mr X disclosed a history of torture and trauma in February 2012 and was referred for counselling.

IHMS advised that after being re-detained, Mr X was monitored by the mental health team for management of adjustment disorder and a history of self-harm. Mr X declined to attend psychiatric counselling and self-referred for counselling as required.

Case status

Mr X has been found not to be owed protection under the Refugee Convention and the complementary protection criterion. He has no matters before DIBP, the courts or tribunals and is on a removal pathway.

Mr X was granted a Bridging visa on 19 October 2016 and was released from immigration detention.