REPORT BY THE COMMONWEALTH AND IMMIGRATION OMBUDSMAN FOR TABLING IN PARLIAMENT

Under s 4860 of the Migration Act 1958

This is the second s 486O report on Mr X and his family who remained in immigration detention for more than 30 months (two and a half years).

The first report 1001758 was tabled in Parliament on 11 February 2015. This report updates the material in that report and should be read in conjunction with the previous report.

Name	Mr X (and family)
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	1972

Family details

Family members	Ms Y (wife)	Master Z (son)	Miss Q (daughter)
Citizenship	Country A	Country A	Country A
Year of birth	1975	2005	2008

Ombudsman ID	1002274
Date of DIBP's reports	19 February 2015
Total days in detention	939 (at date of DIBP's report)

Recent detention history

Since the Ombudsman's previous report (1001758), Mr X and his family remained in community detention.	
9 April 2015	Granted Bridging visas and released from detention.

Recent visa applications/case progression

12 November 2014	The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) received a national police certificate for Ms Y.
16 February 2015	Mr X signed a Code of Behaviour ¹ in preparation for his family's inclusion on a submission to the Minister for consideration under s 195A of the <i>Migration Act 1958</i> for the grant of a Bridging visa.
19 February 2015	DIBP advised that Mr X and his family were undergoing health, security and character checks before they could be invited to apply for a temporary visa.
9 April 2015	Granted Bridging visas.

¹ Since 14 December 2013 all adult maritime arrivals must sign a Code of Behaviour before they can be considered for the grant of a Bridging visa. The Code of Behaviour was introduced to help ensure that maritime arrivals living in the community on Bridging visas are aware of community behavioural expectations and behave appropriately while in the Australian community.

Health and welfare

Mr X

International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) advised that Mr X did not require treatment for any major mental health issues.	
16 October 2014 – ongoing	Mr X was assessed by an orthopaedic specialist and his pain relief medication was reviewed. Prior to his release from detention, his condition was monitored by a general practitioner and he was awaiting assessment at a pain clinic.

Ms Y and Master Z

IHMS advised that Ms Y and Master Z did not require treatment for any major physical or mental health issues.

Miss Q

IHMS advised that Miss Q did not require treatment for any major mental health issues.	
October 2013 – ongoing	Prior to her release from detention, Miss Q was awaiting an appointment with an ear, nose and throat specialist.

Case status

Mr X and his family were granted Bridging visas on 9 April 2015 and released from immigration detention.

The family have been found to be owed protection under the Refugee Convention and the complementary protection criterion and are awaiting the outcome of health, character and security checks.