ASSESSMENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN FOR TABLING IN PARLIAMENT

Under s 4860 of the Migration Act 1958

This is the second s 4860 assessment on Mr X who has remained in immigration detention for a cumulative period of more than three years. The previous assessment 1002578-O was tabled in Parliament on 6 December 2017. This assessment provides an update and should be read in conjunction with the previous assessment.

Name	Mr X
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	1980
Ombudsman ID	1002578-01
Date of department's report	17 January 2018
Total days in detention	1,094 (at date of department's report)

Recent detention history

Since the Ombudsman's previous assessment, Mr X remained at Facility E.	
8 August 2017	Transferred to Facility D.

Recent visa applications/case progression

17 January 2018	The Department of Home Affairs (the department) advised that as Mr X has no matters before the department, the courts or tribunals, he is on a removal pathway. The department advised that Mr X's removal was anticipated to be protracted as involuntary removal is not possible at present.
	The department further advised that Mr X is not being considered for referral to the Minister under s 195A of the Migration Act 1958 for the grant of a bridging visa as he is considered a risk to the community.

Other legal matters

July 2017	Mr X's outstanding criminal matters were discharged without conviction
	upon Mr X entering into a good behaviour bond.

Health and welfare

International Health and Medical Services advised that Mr X did not receive treatment for any major physical or mental health issues during this assessment period.	
November 2017	An Incident Report recorded that Mr X refused food and fluid.

Ombudsman assessment

Mr X has been found not to be owed protection under the Refugee Convention and the complementary protection criterion and has remained in an immigration detention facility, for a cumulative period of more than three years. He has no matters before the department, the courts or tribunals and is on a removal pathway.

The Ombudsman notes that Mr X's removal is likely to be protracted as involuntary removal is not possible at present.