

## ASSESSMENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN FOR TABLING IN PARLIAMENT

*Under s 486O of the Migration Act 1958*

This is the third s 486O assessment on Mr X who has remained in immigration detention for more than 48 months (four years).

The first assessment 1002787 was tabled in Parliament on 24 February 2016 and the second assessment 1001587-O was tabled in Parliament on 23 November 2016. This assessment provides an update and should be read in conjunction with the previous assessments.

<b>Name</b>	Mr X
<b>Citizenship</b>	Country A
<b>Year of birth</b>	1973
<b>Ombudsman ID</b>	1001587-O1
<b>Date of DIBP's reviews</b>	15 December 2016 and 14 June 2017
<b>Total days in detention</b>	1,458 (at date of DIBP's latest review)

### Recent detention history

Since the Ombudsman's previous assessment (1001587-O), Mr X remained at Wickham Point Alternative Place of Detention.	
21 June 2016	Transferred to Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation.

### Recent visa applications/case progression

29 June 2016	Mr X accepted the offer for the Primary Application Information Service to assist him with lodging a temporary visa application and was assigned a provider.
21 December 2016	Mr X's case was identified for assessment against the guidelines under s 195A of the <i>Migration Act 1958</i> for a possible referral to the Minister for his consideration to grant Mr X a bridging visa.
27 January 2017	Lodged a Temporary Protection visa (TPV) application.
27 April 2017	TPV application refused. Mr X's case was referred to the Immigration Assessment Authority (IAA) for review.
14 June 2017	The Department of Immigration and Border Protection advised that Mr X remained a person of interest to an external agency and attended an interview with that agency on 28 April 2017.

### Health and welfare

International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) advised that Mr X received counselling after presenting with paranoid thoughts, detention fatigue and symptoms of depression. In March 2017 Mr X was prescribed with medication after a treating psychiatrist identified adjustment issues. His condition continued to be monitored by the mental health team.	
IHMS further advised that Mr X continued to receive treatment for a medical condition and was scheduled to attend an appointment at a hospital surgical clinic on 31 May 2017.	

**Information provided by Mr X**

Mr X was offered the opportunity to discuss his detention circumstances with Ombudsman staff but declined to do so.

**Case status**

Mr X was detained on 17 June 2013 after arriving in Australia by sea and has been held in an immigration detention facility for more than four years.

On 27 January 2017 Mr X lodged an application for a TPV. Mr X's TPV application was refused on 27 April 2017 and his case was referred to the IAA for review.