# 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 Master X who has remained in immigration detention for more than 36 months (three years).

The first report 1002893 was tabled in Parliament on 14 October 2015. This report updates the material in that report and should be read in conjunction with the previous report.

Name	Master X
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	2004
Ombudsman ID	1001676-O
Date of DIBP's reports	30 October 2015 and 29 April 2016
Total days in detention	1094 (at date of DIBP's latest report)

## **Detention history**

Since the Ombudsman's previous report (1002893), Master X has remained in community detention.

9 May 2013	The former Minister intervened under s 197AB to allow Master X to reside in community detention with his aunt and uncle who lived in the community.
13 March 2014	The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) notified Master X of the unintentional release of personal information <sup>1</sup> and advised that the privacy breach would be taken into account when considering his protection claims.
31 December 2014	The New South Wales Department of Family and Community Services assessed that Master X would be better supported in the care of a contracted service provider, following allegations of emotional and physical abuse by his aunt and uncle.
29 September 2015	The Minister lifted the bar under s 46A to allow Master X to lodge a temporary visa application.
19 October 2015	Master X was notified that he was eligible to receive the Primary Application Information Service (PAIS) to assist him with lodging a temporary visa application. DIBP advised that a notification letter had been sent to Master X but it was returned and a second letter was issued on 4 January 2016.
11 January 2016	Master X accepted the PAIS offer and was assigned a provider.
14 March 2016	Master X requested an extension to lodge his application.

## Recent visa applications/case progression

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In a media release dated 19 February 2014 the former Minister advised that an immigration detention statistics report was released on DIBP's website on 11 February 2014 which inadvertently disclosed detainees' personal information. The documents were removed from the website as soon as DIBP became aware of the breach from the media. The Minister acknowledged this was a serious breach of privacy by DIBP.

## Health and welfare

International Health and Medical Services advised that Master X continued to be monitored for tuberculosis as per state policy and no concerns had been reported.

He was also provided with counselling and attended regular appointments with a psychologist for anxiety about his living situation and bereavement after the loss of his father.

#### Case status

Master X was detained on 1 May 2013 after arriving in Australia aboard Suspected Illegal Entry Vessel *Ilkeston* and has been held in detention for over three years.

On 29 September 2015 the Minister lifted the bar under s 46A to allow Master X to apply for a temporary visa. On 11 January 2016 Master X accepted the PAIS assistance and was assigned a provider to assist with lodging his application.