

ASSESSMENT BY THE COMMONWEALTH OMBUDSMAN FOR TABELING IN PARLIAMENT

Under s 486O of the Migration Act 1958

This is the fourth s 486O assessment on Master X who has remained in immigration detention for more than 54 months (four and a half years). The previous assessment 1001676-O1 was tabled in Parliament on 13 September 2017. This assessment provides an update and should be read in conjunction with the previous assessments.

Name	Master X
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	2004
Ombudsman ID	1001676-O2
Date of department's report	27 October 2017
Total days in detention	1,640 (at date of department's report)

Recent detention history

Since the Ombudsman's previous assessment, Master X has continued to be placed in the community.¹

Recent visa applications/case progression

5 October 2017	Temporary Protection visa (TPV) application refused. On 27 October 2017 the Department of Home Affairs (the department) advised that the privacy breach caused by the unintentional release of personal information ² was taken into account when considering Master X's protection claims.
10 October 2017	Master X's case was referred to the Immigration Assessment Authority (IAA) for review.
The department advised that Master X will not be considered for the grant of a bridging visa while he is a minor.	

Health and welfare

International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) advised that Master X was reviewed by a general practitioner after he fainted in the shower. IHMS advised that he did not sustain any injuries and his physical and neurological tests returned normal results.

¹ Master X was granted a placement in the community under s 197AB and remains in immigration detention.

² In a media release dated 19 February 2014 the Minister advised that an immigration detention statistics report was released on the department's website on 11 February 2014 which inadvertently disclosed detainees' personal information. The documents were removed from the website as soon as the department became aware of the breach from the media. The Minister acknowledged this was a serious breach of privacy by the department.

Case status

Master X was detained on 1 May 2013 after arriving in Australia by sea and has remained in immigration detention, both in a detention facility and the community, for more than four and a half years.

Master X's TPV application was refused on 5 October 2017 and on 10 October 2017 his case was referred to the IAA for review.