

REPORT BY THE COMMONWEALTH AND IMMIGRATION OMBUDSMAN FOR TABLING IN PARLIAMENT

Under s 486O of the Migration Act 1958

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

Name	Mr X
Citizenship	Country A
Year of birth	1997
Ombudsman ID	1002871
Date of DIBP's reports	1 April 2015 and 26 September 2015
Total days in detention	912 (at date of DIBP's latest report)

Detention history

28 March 2013	Detained under s 189(3) of the <i>Migration Act 1958</i> after arriving in Australia as an unaccompanied minor aged 15 aboard Suspected Illegal Entry Vessel (SIEV) 628 <i>Camry</i> . He was transferred to an Alternative Place of Detention (APOD), Christmas Island.
19 April 2013	Transferred to Pontville APOD.
22 August 2013	Transferred to community detention.

Visa applications/case progression

13 March 2014	Mr X was issued with a letter inviting him to comment on the unintentional release of personal information through the Department of Immigration and Border Protection's (DIBP) website. ¹
23 July 2015	The Minister lifted the bar under s 46A to allow Mr X to lodge a temporary visa application. On the same day, Mr X was notified that he is eligible to receive the Primary Application Information Service (PAIS) to assist in making an application.
29 July 2015	Mr X accepted the offer for PAIS assistance. DIBP advised that he will be assigned a provider to assist him in making an application.

Health and welfare

13 April 2013	International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) advised that Mr X disclosed a history of torture and trauma but declined specialist counselling. His mental health is monitored by his general practitioner (GP).
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¹ 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.

22 January 2015	Mr X was diagnosed with a skin condition during a consultation with his GP. He was advised to monitor his symptoms and attend a follow-up appointment.
February 2015	Attended a follow-up appointment with his GP who noted no improvements in his skin condition. IHMS advised that a procedure was conducted to manage this condition. No further concerns have been raised.

Case status

Mr X was detained on 28 March 2013 after arriving in Australia as an unaccompanied minor aged 15 aboard SIEV *Camry* and has been held in detention for over two and a half years with no processing of his protection claims.

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