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For decision

PDMS Ref. Number MS18-010914

To

Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs

Subject

Advice on humanitarian visa caseload from the Americas

Timing

At your convenience.

Recommendations

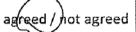
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That you:

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- agree, in addition to the (already agreed) 100 places through the Protection Transfer Arrangement (Salvadorans, Guatemalans and Hondurans), to increase the allocation for the 2018-19 program from the Americas, by 250 places,
 - i) 200 places for Special Humanitarian Program applicants from Venezuela; and

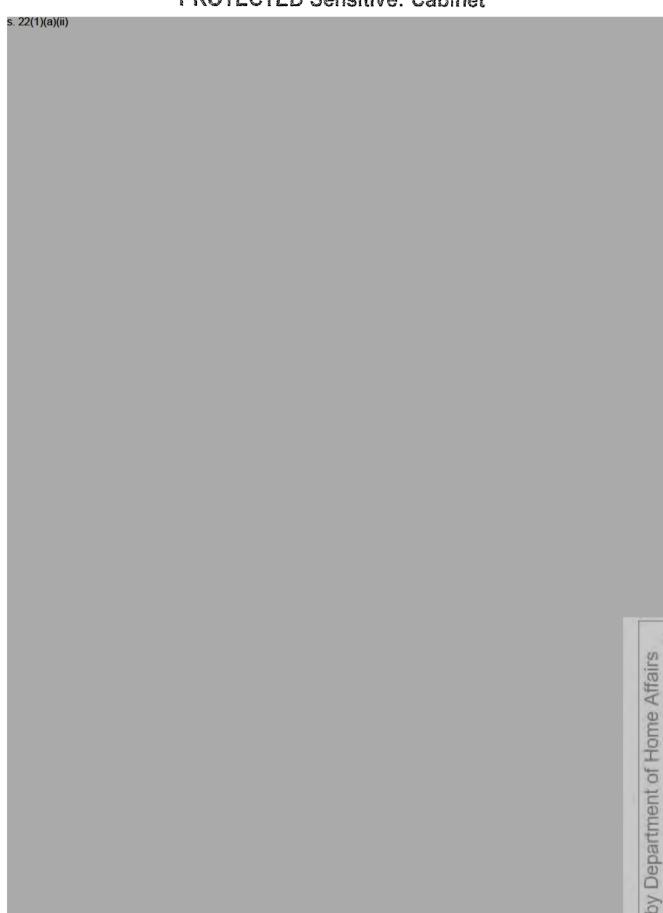
 ii) UNHCR referral of 50 places, mostly Venezuelans, from the Caribbean, without the need for additional funding to UNHCR;



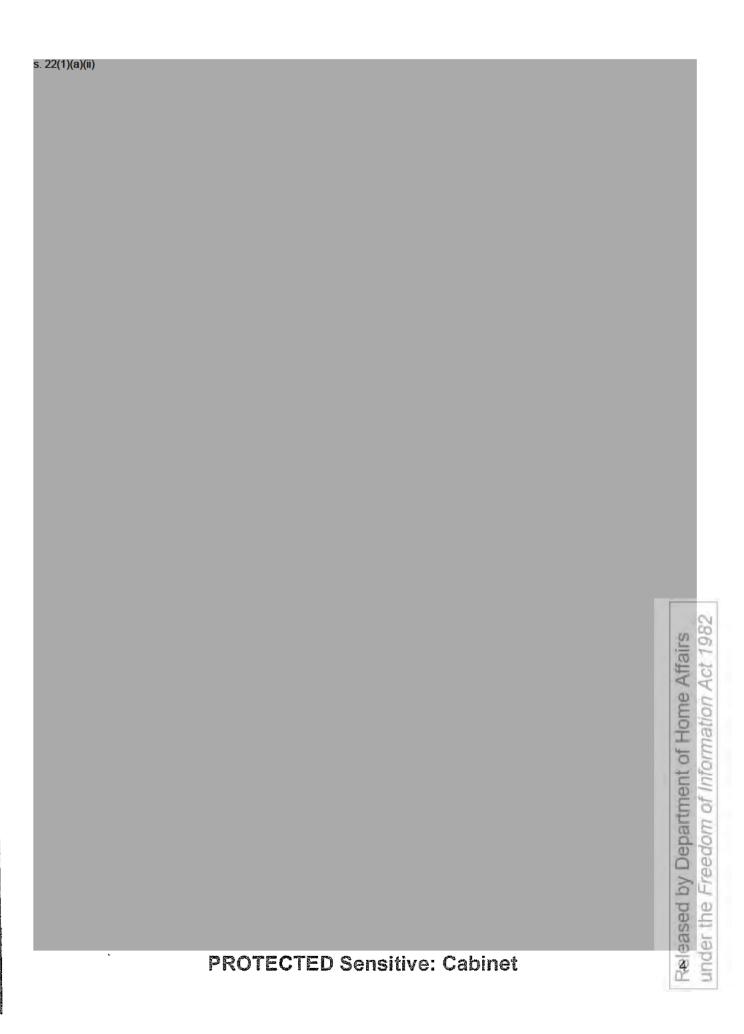
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Attachments

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Attachment B MS18-009577 Further advice on the composition of the 2018-19 Humanitarian Program

Authorising Officer

Cleared by:

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Deputy Secretary Policy

Date: 20 December 2018

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First Assistant Secretary, Refugee, Citizenship and Multicultural Programs Division

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For decision PDMS Ref. Number MS18-009577

To Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs

Subject Further advice on the composition of the 2018-19 Humanitarian

Program

Timing By 30 November 2018 to allow the Department of Home Affairs to plan for and

allocate the necessary resources to deliver the Program for 2018-19.

Recommendations

That you:

 note the size of the 2018-19 Humanitarian Program is set by legislative instrument at 18,750 places; (noted) please discuss

- 2. agree to settings for the offshore and onshore programs:
 - a) 17,100 offshore places, with:
 - i. 9,458 in the refugee stream;
 - ii. 6,642 in the Special Humanitarian Program (SHP);
 - iii. 1,000 in the Community Support Program (CSP);
 - the remaining 1,650 places for people who arrive in Australia lawfully and engage Australia's international protection obligations;
- agree, with regard to the offshore Program, to resettle refugees from the following overseas regions (with further detail at Attachment A):
 - (a) Middle East region: 8,523 places (49.8 per cent)
 - (b) Asia region: 3,650 places (21.3 per cent)
 - with scope to include a small number of places (<150) for Afghans in Iran at an advanced stage of processing to finalise this caseload;

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(c) Africa	region: 3,627 places (21.2 per cent)	agreed / not agreed	
i.	with scope to include a small, new caseload of suitable Eritreans and Ethiopians from Libya and Niger to assist international efforts to address irregular migration;	agreed) not agreed	
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(e) CSP pla	ces: 1,000 places (5.9 per cent)	agreed) not agreed	
÷	allocated from the above priority regions on a demand-driven basis;	agreedy not agreed	
the overall	hese decisions will result in 2,708 places within program for members of the Yazidi (1908), (400) and Baha'i (400) communities;	noted / please discuss	
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	in prioritising entrants for resettlement from the ore regions:	No.	1985
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8. sign the attached letters to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Minister for Families and Social Services (Attachments B and C, respectively).

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Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs

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Program Size and Composition

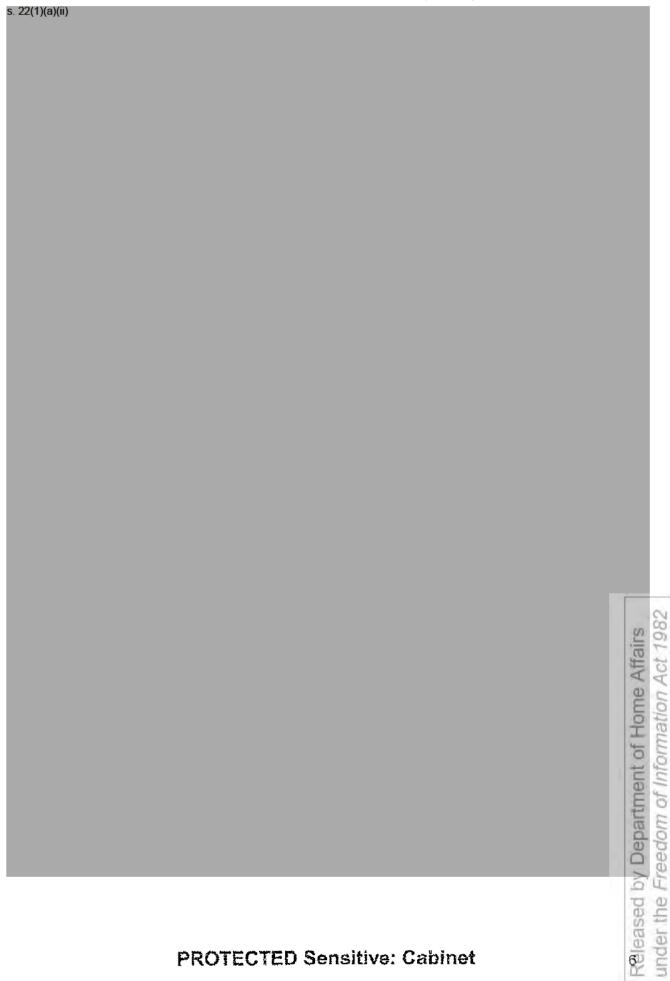
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2. The minimum number of visas to be granted under the 2018-19 Humanitarian Program is set by legislative instrument at 18,750 places. We recommend allocating 1,650 places for the onshore (Permanent Protection visa) stream of the Program, to manage the number of lawful arrivals expected to engage Australia's international protection obligations, and 17,100 places for the offshore resettlement component. This would be a similar proportional split to the 2017-18 Program.

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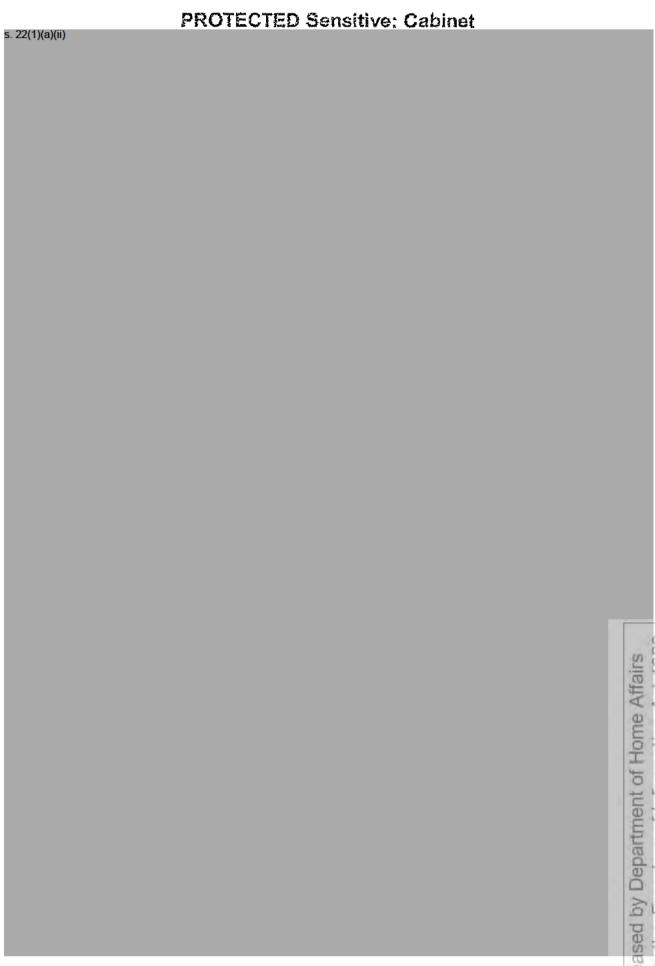
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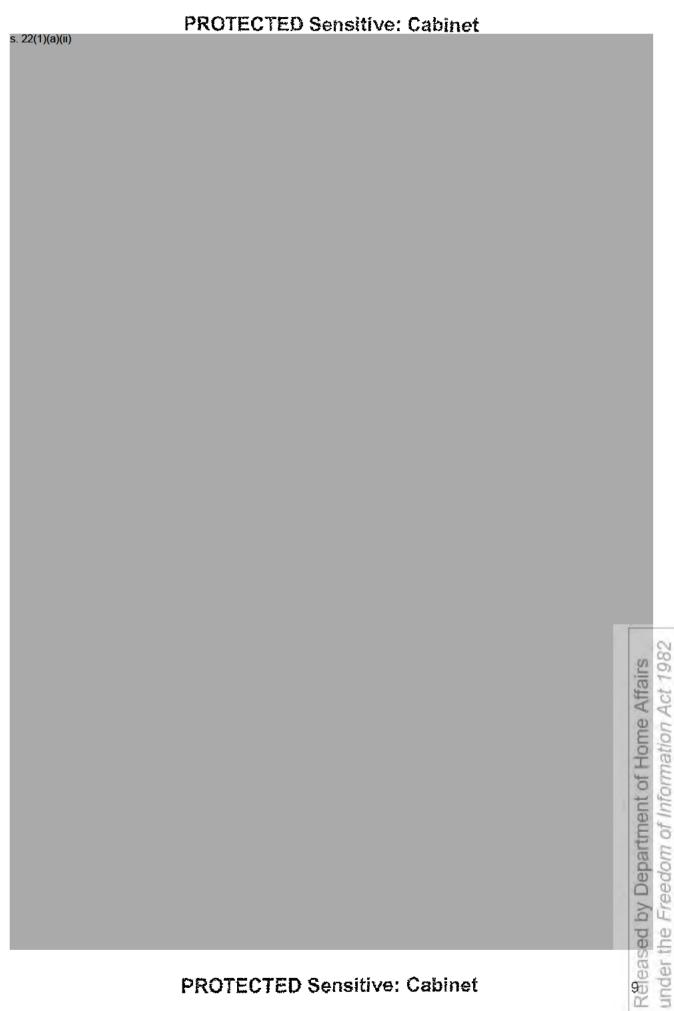
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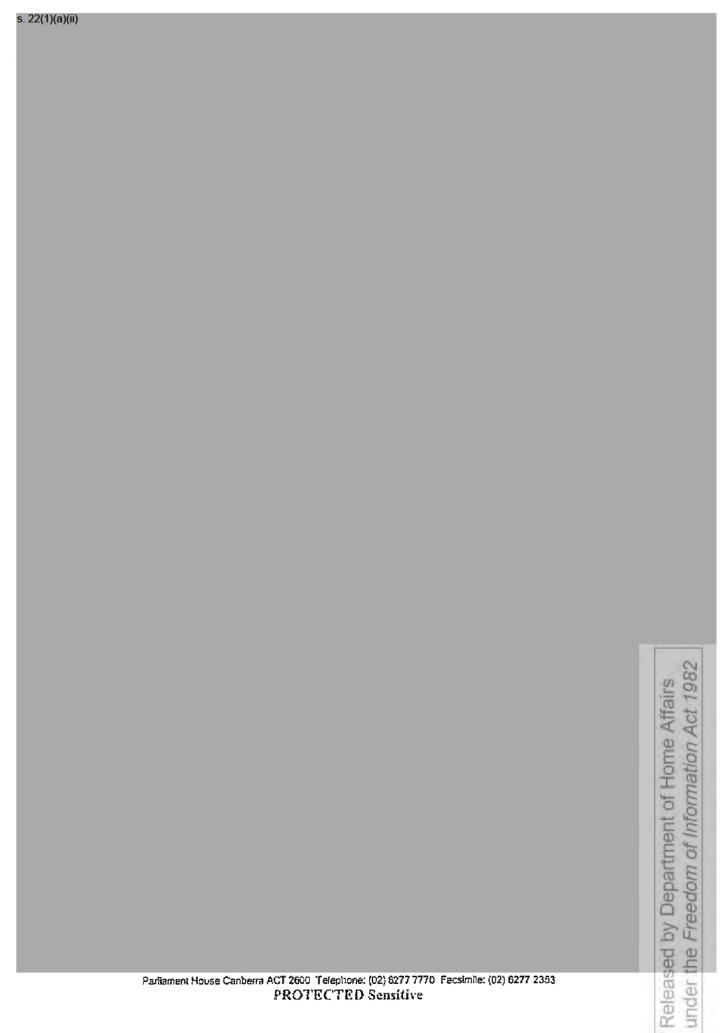
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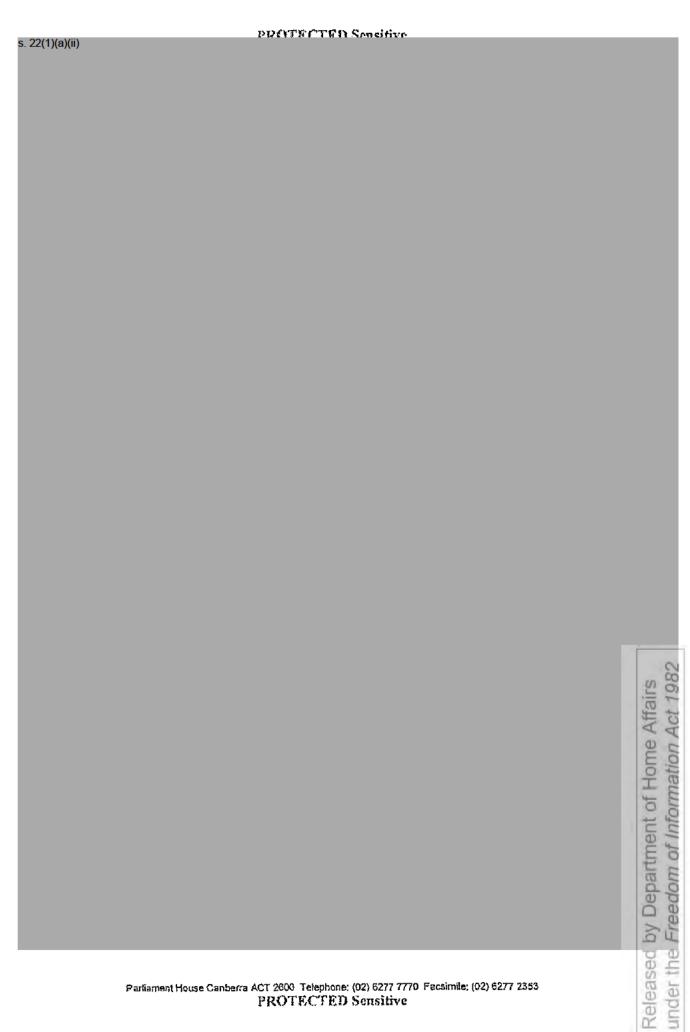
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