

Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Transport and Regional Services

Australian Maritime Safety Authority

Additional Estimates 2001-2002, 19 February 2002

Question: AMSA 05

Topic: Sinking of refugee boat on 19 October 2001

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Output: AMSA Output 2.1: A capability to detect, locate and rescue persons in aviation and maritime distress situation

Senator O'Brien asked:

“Did AMSA have any role, receive any information or provide any assistance or advice in relation to the refugee boat that sank on 19 October last year? I want to know whether you received any distress information or calls, or had any knowledge of the boat being in difficulty and what response, if any, AMSA took.”

Answer:

AMSA records show that it did not.