

Joint Standing Committee on the National Capital and External Territories

PUBLIC HEARING PROGRAM

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE NATIONAL MEMORIALS ORDINANCE 1928

Wednesday 14 September 2011

Committee room 2 R 1

12:30 pm – 1.15 pm Walter Burley Griffin Society

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1:15 pm – 1.45 pm Lake War Memorials Forum

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Terms of reference

The Committee has been asked by the Hon Simon Crean, Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government:

- 1. To inquire into, and report on:
- The administration of the National Memorials Ordinance 1928 (the Ordinance), with particular reference on:
 - o The membership of the Canberra National Memorials Committee (CNMC);
 - o The process for decision-making by the CNMC;
 - o Mechanisms for the CNMC to seek independent, expert advice; and
 - Opportunities for improving transparency in the administration of the Ordinance.
- The appropriate level of parliamentary oversight for proposed National Memorials.
- The appropriate level of public participation in the development of proposed National Memorials.
- 2. If changes to current arrangements are recommended, inquire into and report on transition provisions for current proposals for memorials which have not yet been constructed.