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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 92.

FRIDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1952.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. A.N.Z.U.S. COUNCIL—FIRST MEETING—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—LEAVE TO INCORPORATE IN *Hansard*—STATEMENT BY MR. SPEAKER.—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs) was granted leave to have incorporated in the Report of Parliamentary Debates, without reading the matter to the House, a Ministerial Statement with reference to the first meeting of the A.N.Z.U.S. Council established under the terms of the Security Treaty between Australia, New Zealand and the United States of America.  
Mr. Speaker stated that the granting of leave in such a case was unusual. The House was master of its own business but he hoped there would be an understanding that the matter would not be drawn into precedent.
3. A.N.Z.U.S. COUNCIL—FIRST MEETING—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs) laid upon the Table, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, the following Paper :—  
A.N.Z.U.S. Council—First Meeting, Honolulu, 4th to 6th August, 1952—Ministerial Statement—  
and moved, That the Paper be printed.  
Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.  
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—  
Orders—Inventions and designs (2).  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Defence purposes—Tottenham, Victoria.  
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—  
Defence—W. V. Butler.  
Social Services—M. L. Habib.  
Supply—G. L. Green, W. B. Johnson.  
Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—  
Ordinance—1952—No. 8—Supreme Court.  
Regulations—1952—  
No. 13 (Public Health Ordinance).  
No. 14 (Motor Traffic Ordinance).
5. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1952-53.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

Vote—" Commonwealth Railways, £3,862,000 "—  
Vote—" Postmaster-General's Department, £69,895,000 "—  
Vote—" Broadcasting Services, £4,533,000 "—  
considered together.

Votes debated.

*Limitation of Debate.*—At fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., the Deputy Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired—

Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed.

Vote—" Northern Territory, £2,498,000 "—

Vote—" Australian Capital Territory, £1,967,000 "—

Vote—" Norfolk Island, £15,300 "—

Vote—" Papua and New Guinea, £5,634,700 "—

considered together.

Votes debated.

*Limitation of Debate.*—At fifteen minutes to five o'clock p.m., the Deputy Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired—

Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed.

5th September, 1952.

Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the following Resolution be reported to the House—

That, including the sum already voted for such services, there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding £425,532,000 to defray charges for the services of the year 1952-53, viz. :—

PART 1.—DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES—OTHER THAN BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS AND TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

	£
Parliament .. .. .	718,000
Prime Minister's Department .. .. .	2,016,000
Department of External Affairs .. .. .	1,851,000
Department of the Treasury .. .. .	9,661,000
Attorney-General's Department .. .. .	1,161,000
Department of the Interior .. .. .	3,230,000
Department of Works .. .. .	1,806,000
Department of Civil Aviation .. .. .	11,055,000
Department of Trade and Customs .. .. .	3,179,000
Department of Health .. .. .	1,230,000
Department of Commerce and Agriculture .. .. .	1,481,000
Department of Social Services .. .. .	2,146,000
Department of Shipping and Transport .. .. .	1,025,000
Department of Territories .. .. .	194,000
Department of Immigration .. .. .	1,340,000
Department of Labour and National Service .. .. .	1,795,000
Department of National Development .. .. .	1,180,000
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization .. .. .	3,381,000
Defence Services—	£
Department of Defence .. .. .	730,000
Department of the Navy .. .. .	47,290,000
Department of the Army .. .. .	75,370,000
Department of Air .. .. .	55,830,000
Department of Supply .. .. .	12,730,000
Department of Defence Production .. .. .	8,050,000
	200,000,000
Miscellaneous Services .. .. .	20,752,000
Refunds of Revenue .. .. .	13,000,000
Advance to the Treasurer .. .. .	15,000,000
Subsidies .. .. .	23,855,000
War and Repatriation Services .. .. .	16,071,000
	337,127,000
PART 2.—BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.	
Commonwealth Railways .. .. .	3,862,000
Postmaster-General's Department .. .. .	69,895,000
Broadcasting Services .. .. .	4,533,000
	78,290,000
PART 3.—TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.	
Northern Territory .. .. .	2,498,000
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	1,967,000
Norfolk Island .. .. .	15,300
Papua and New Guinea .. .. .	5,634,700
	10,115,000
TOTAL .. .. .	425,532,000

Question—put and passed.

Leave to be asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On the motion of Mr. Eric J. Harrison, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

6. WAYS AND MEANS—ESTIMATES 1952-53.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1952-53, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £276,504,000.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

5th September, 1952.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

On the motion of Mr. Eric J. Harrison the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Eric J. Harrison and Mr. Kent Hughes do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

7. APPROPRIATION BILL 1952-53.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-three, and to appropriate the Supplies granted by the Parliament for that year* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Eric J. Harrison, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Ward addressing the House—

*Closure.*—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 46.

Mr. Berry	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McBride	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hughes	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham	Mr. Joske	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Timson	Mr. Opperman

NOES, 29.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clark	Mr. E. James Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Mulcahy	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bird	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Fuller
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McLeod		
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Galvin			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes past five o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Anthony, Mr. W. M. Bourke, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. Calwell, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Davies, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Edmonds, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Gullett, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Keon, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leslie, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Mullens, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Swartz and Mr. Thompson.

F. C. GREEN,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*