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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 86.

THURSDAY, 16TH MAY, 1963.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF MOTION.—Mr. McGuren withdrew Notice of Motion No. 4, General Business, standing in his name.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were answered.
4. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—
15th May, 1963—*Message*—
No. 124—Processed Milk Products Bounty 1963.
No. 125—Insurance 1963.
No. 126—Commonwealth Inscribed Stock 1963.
No. 127—Acts Interpretation 1963.
No. 128—Australian Antarctic Territory 1963.
No. 129—Christmas Island 1963.
No. 130—Cocos (Keeling) Islands 1963.
No. 131—Heard Island and McDonald Islands 1963.
No. 132—Seat of Government (Administration).1963.
5. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—FLOOD MITIGATION AND CONTROL.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. McGuren had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The need for work, subsidized by the Commonwealth Government on a pound for pound basis with the States, which will mitigate and control the frequent and disastrous floods in Australia, preserve valuable production, and prevent the heavy economic losses which follow these floods".
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr. McGuren addressed the House.
Discussion ensued.
Mr. Peters rising to address the House—
Mr. Howson moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.
Question—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 57.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Forbes	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. King	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Turner
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. England	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holten	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. McNeill	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chipp	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. Nixon	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jess	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Chaney
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Armitage	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Reynolds
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Gray	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Makin	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cross	Mr. Hansen	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Uren
Mr. Benson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harding	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Daly	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Webb
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Davies	Mr. Hayden	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Clay	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Brien	
Mr. Collard	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Comber	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Cope	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Jones	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—LOAN (AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL AIRLINES COMMISSION) BILL 1963.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

DE L'ISLE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 76.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve the raising by way of Loan of Moneys in the Currency of the United States of America to be lent to the Australian National Airlines Commission, and for purposes connected therewith.

Canberra, 15th May, 1963.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve the raising by way of Loan of Moneys in the Currency of the United States of America to be lent to the Australian National Airlines Commission, and for purposes connected therewith.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Mr. Holt moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Holt and Mr. Freeth do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Bill brought up by Mr. Holt, and read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—LOAN (QANTAS EMPIRE AIRWAYS LIMITED) BILL 1963.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

DE L'ISLE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 77.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve the raising by way of Loan of Moneys in the Currency of the United States of America to be lent to Qantas Empire Airways Limited, and for purposes connected therewith.

Canberra, 15th May, 1963.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue and moneys be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to approve the raising by way of Loan of Moneys in the Currency of the United States of America to be lent to Qantas Empire Airways Limited, and for purposes connected therewith.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

16th May, 1963.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Mr. Holt moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Holt and Sir Garfield Barwick do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Bill brought up by Mr. Holt, and read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

8. PAY-ROLL TAX ASSESSMENT BILL 1963.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941–1962*.

Question—put and passed.

Bill brought up, and read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

9. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL 1963.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Income Tax.

Question—put and passed.

Bill brought up, and read a first time.

Mr. Holt moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

10. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—STAGE 2, DARWIN TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL.—

Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1960*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report:—Construction of Stage 2 of the Darwin Technical High School.

Mr. Freeth laid on the Table plans in connexion with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

11. ORDER OF THE DAY NO. 1—SUPPLY [“GRIEVANCE DAY”].—It being past fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., Order of the Day No. 1 (“Grievance Day”—pursuant to Standing Order No. 291) was not called on, and the Committee of Supply was set down for a later hour this day.

12. UNITED STATES NAVAL COMMUNICATION STATION AGREEMENT BILL 1963.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Galvin), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

13. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 76) AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 2).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Fairhall (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved—

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 76).

1. That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff 1933–1962*, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff Proposals, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals and that, on and after the seventeenth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-three, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

2. That in these Proposals, “Customs Tariff Proposals” mean the Customs Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the following dates:—

15th November, 1962;

29th November, 1962;

6th December, 1962;

28th March, 1963;

10th April, 1963;

17th April, 1963; and

9th May, 1963.

16th May, 1963.

**THE SCHEDULE.
IMPORT DUTIES.**

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.			
371. By inserting after sub-item (b) new sub-items as follows:— “ (c) A State Governor or any member of his family - (d) A member of the staff of a State Governor, provided that that member is not an Australian citizen -	Free Free	Free Free	Free Free ”
372. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:— “ 372. Goods for use by or sale to persons the subject of a Status of Forces Agreement between the Government of the Commonwealth of Aus- tralia and the Government of another country, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws -	Free	Free	Free ”

EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 2).

That the Schedule to the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1962 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals and that on and after the seventeenth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-three, Duties of Excise be collected in pursuance of the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1962 as so amended.

THE SCHEDULE.

Articles.	Rate of Duty.
By inserting after item 12 a new item as follows:— “ 13 (A) Goods for the Government of a country other than Australia and for the official use of that Government, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - (B) Goods for use by or sale to persons covered by a Status of Forces Agreement between the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia and the Government of another country, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws	Free Free.”

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

The House resumed; Mr. Drury reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

14. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Order—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) No. 141.
15. UNITED STATES NAVAL COMMUNICATION STATION AGREEMENT BILL 1963.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
 Debate resumed.
 Suspension of Standing Orders—Extended Time for Speech.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister) speaking for a period not exceeding 45 minutes.
 Question—put and passed.
 Debate continued.
 Debate adjourned (Mr. Johnson), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
16. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—
 16th May, 1963—*Message*—
 No. 133—Appropriation (No. 2) 1962–63 (*without requests*).
 No. 134—Appropriation (Works and Services) (No. 2) 1962–63.
 No. 135—Supply 1963–64 (*without requests*).
 No. 136—Supply (Works and Services) 1963–64.
17. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Swartz (Minister for Repatriation) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Mr. Bryant rising to address the House—
 Closure.—Mr. Swartz moved, That the question be now put.

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Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 53.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jess	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. King	Mr. Turner
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. England	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holten	Mr. McNeill	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. Nixon	Mr. Chaney
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 51.

Mr. Armitage	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Makin	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cross	Mr. Hansen	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Uren
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harding	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Daly	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Webb
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Davies	Mr. Hayden	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Brien	
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Collard	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Comber	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Jones	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie

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 eighteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, 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. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Clark, Mr. Cramer, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Sexton and Mr. Townley.

A. G. TURNER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.