THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 50

TUESDAY, 15 OCTOBER 1968

- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable W. J. Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 Petition: Mr C. R. Cameron presented a petition from certain citizens of the Common-wealth praying that the Government make money available for the emergency provision of food and medical supplies to Nigeria and use its influence to prohibit the further supply of arms to Nigeria and to bring about a cessation of hostilities.

Petition received and read.

- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Atomic Energy Act—Australian Atomic Energy Commission—Sixteenth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1967-68.

Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Australian Wine Board—Fortieth Annual Report, for year 1967-68, together with statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

5 Public Works Committee—Reports: Mr Chaney (Chairman) brought up the following reports from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:

Report relating to the proposed extension of north-south runway and associated pavement works at Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport.

Report relating to the proposed extension of submarine maintenance facilities, Cockatoo Island, N.S.W.

Severally ordered to be printed.

6 Message from the Senate—Repatriation (Special Overseas Service) Bill 1968: Mr Speaker reported message No. 76, dated 10 October 1968, from the Senate transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Repatriation (Special Overseas Service) Act 1962–1966' to provide for the payment of Service Pensions and for the Extension, in certain cases, of a period of Special Service to include a period of Service in Australia".

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

7 CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 2) 1968: Mr Nixon (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) presented a Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs. Bill read a first time.

Mr Nixon moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr J. F. Cairns), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 Paper: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Tariff Board—Report—'Wet blue' goat and kid skin leather—Tariff classification. Ordered to be printed.

9 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1968-69: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Second Schedule-

Proposed expenditure—Department of Shipping and Transport, \$74,141,000—debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Works, \$56,289,000—debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Department of National Development, \$33,944,000—debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

Ordered-That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

10 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adiourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at six minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 15 October 1968, pursuant to statute:

Explosives Act-Explosives Regulations-Order-Berthing of a vessel.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act-

Ordinances-1968-

No. 52-Validation of Acts.

No. 53—Waterworks Acts Repeal.

No. 54—Freehold Titles (No. 2).

No. 55-Control of Waters (No. 2).

No. 56—Interpretation (No. 2).

No. 57—Treason (Repeal of Imperial Acts and State Acts).

No. 58—Architects.

No. 59-Local Government (No. 2).

No. 60-Local Government (No. 3).

No. 61—Firearms.

No. 62-Lottery and Gaming (No. 2).

No. 63—Stock Diseases.

No. 64-Water Supplies Development (No. 2).

Regulations-1968-

No. 14 (Forestry Ordinance).

No. 15 (Encouragement of Primary Production Ordinance).

Stevedoring Industry (Temporary Provisions) Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1968, No. 119.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beaton, Mr Bonnett, Mr Cope, Mr Daly, Mr Devine, Mr Failes, Mr Fairbairn, Mr Graham, Mr Jess, Mr McEwen and Mr O'Connor.

> N. J. PARKES, Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives