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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 8

FRIDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2008

1 The House met, at 9 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Mr Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED

Mr Ciobo moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Moncrieff from moving—That at 12 p.m. each and every Friday that this House sits, the Speaker shall interrupt the business before the House and call on questions without notice for a period of one hour and thirty minutes.

Closure of Member moved

Dr Kelly (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence) moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

A division having been called for, in accordance with standing order 133, the division was deferred until the commencement of the next sitting.

Mr Hartsuyker (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure of Member moved

Dr Kelly moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

A division having been called for, in accordance with standing order 133, the division was deferred until the commencement of the next sitting.

Speaker's ruling

The Speaker ruled that the division on the question before the Chair had to be deferred until the next sitting in accordance with standing order 133.

Dissent from ruling moved

Mr Hockey moved—That the ruling be dissented from.

Closure of Member moved

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

A division having been called for, in accordance with standing order 133, the division was deferred until the commencement of the next sitting.

Ms J. Bishop (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure of Member moved

Mr Albanese moved—That the Member be no longer heard.

Question—put.

A division having been called for, in accordance with standing order 133, the division was deferred until the commencement of the next sitting.

Question—That the Speaker's ruling be dissented from—put.

A division having been called for, in accordance with standing order 133, the division was deferred until the commencement of the next sitting.

Member directed to leave

At 9.25 a.m. the Member for Moncrieff (Mr Ciobo) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for defying the Chair.

Mr Ciobo refusing to withdraw from the Chamber, the Speaker ordered the Serjeant-at-Arms to remove the Member from the Chamber.

Mr Ciobo was then escorted from the Chamber.

Member directed to leave

At 9.27 a.m. the Member for Warringah (Mr Abbott) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for reflecting on the Chair, and he accordingly left the Chamber.

4 ORGAN DONATION

Ms Parke, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House:

- (1) expresses concern about the shortage of organs available in Australia for life saving operations;
- (2) notes that where a donor is available, Australia has one of the best records in transplantation outcomes;
- (3) supports the efforts of the Minister for Health and Ageing and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister to increase the rate of organ donation in Australia;
- (4) congratulates the organisers of Australian Organ Donor Awareness Week across the country for drawing attention to the need for more Australians to become registered organ donors and to discuss their choice with their families;
- (5) notes that the report of the National Clinical Taskforce on Organ and Tissue Donation sets out a number of directions for improvement in Australian policies and practices; and
- (6) encourages Members actively to encourage organ donation in their electorates.

Member named

The Speaker named the Member for Moncrieff (Mr Ciobo) for gross disorder under standing order 94 (c).

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member for Moncrieff be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

A division having been called for, in accordance with standing order 133, the division was deferred until the commencement of the next sitting.

Suspension of sitting

At 9.33 a.m., the Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of sitting

At 9.52 a.m., the Speaker resumed the Chair.

Debate resumed on the motion moved by Ms Parke.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 HEALTH SERVICES

Mr Lindsay, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House:

- (1) supports the provision of the highest quality health services to Australians;

- (2) notes the continuing advances in medical science, making available new diagnostic tools; and
- (3) recognises the need to extend the availability of Positron Emission Tomography (PET) scanning to regional Australia.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

6 INTEREST RATES

Mr Bradbury, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) the recent increases in interest rates;
 - (b) the impact that rising interest rates are having on families, particularly in western Sydney; and
 - (c) the Reserve Bank of Australia's warnings in its latest Statement on Monetary Policy of the risks to the Australian economy of continued inflation; and
- (2) supports the Government's five-point plan to fight inflation.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

7 MINISTERIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

Mr Johnson, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House:

- (1) acknowledges its support for the advancement of democracy around the world, including Pakistan; and
- (2) recognises the importance of ministerial accountability in our Westminster system of government.

Debate ensued.

Document

Mr Robert, by leave, presented the following document:

Standards of ministerial ethics—Australian Government, December 2007.

Debate continued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, Mr Hayes was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate was made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UKRAINIAN FAMINE

Mr Danby, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House:

- (1) notes that 2007 marks the 75th anniversary of the Great Ukrainian Famine—Holodomor—of 1932–33, caused by the deliberate actions of Stalin's communist Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics;
- (2) recalls that an estimated 7 million Ukrainians starved to death as a result of Stalinist policies in 1932–33 alone, and that millions more lost their lives in the purge that ensued for the remainder of the decade;
- (3) notes:
 - (a) that this constitutes one of the most heinous acts of genocide in history;
 - (b) that the Ukrainian Famine was one of the greatest losses of human life in one country in the 20th century; and
 - (c) that it remains insufficiently known and acknowledged by the world community and the United Nations as an act of genocide against the Ukrainian nation and its people, but has been recognised as such by the Verkhovna Rada (Parliament of Ukraine);
- (4) honours the memory of those who lost their lives;
- (5) joins the Ukrainian people throughout the world, and particularly in Australia, in commemorating these tragic events; and

- (6) submits that the Australian Government support a resolution to the General Assembly of the United Nations, which may be submitted by the Government of Ukraine, that the Holodomor in Ukraine in 1932–33 be recognised as an act of genocide against the Ukrainian nation and its people.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for private Members' business having expired, the debate was interrupted, Mrs Hull was granted leave to continue her speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate was made an order of the day for the next sitting.

9 GRIEVANCE DEBATE

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 44, the order of the day having been read—

Question proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

Member directed to leave

At 12.44 p.m. the Member for Cowper (Mr Hartsuyker) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for defying the Chair.

Member directed to leave

At 12.48 p.m. the Member for Cowper (Mr Hartsuyker) was again directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for defying the Chair.

Member named

The Deputy Speaker named the Member for Cowper (Mr Hartsuyker) for defying the Chair.

Mr Albanese (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member for Cowper be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

A division having been called for, in accordance with standing order 133, the division was deferred until the commencement of the next sitting.

Member directed to leave

At 12.51 p.m. the Member for Gilmore (Mrs Gash) was directed, under standing order 94, to leave the Chamber for one hour for interjecting in a disorderly manner, and she accordingly left the Chamber.

Suspension of sitting

At 12.56 p.m., the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of sitting

At 2 p.m., the Speaker resumed the Chair.

The time allotted for the debate having expired—

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

10 ADJOURNMENT

At 2.02 p.m. the Speaker adjourned the House until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 11 March 2008.

DOCUMENTS

The following documents were deemed to have been presented on 22 February 2008:

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act—Determination under section 57—2008 Confidentiality No. 3 [F2008L00544].

Civil Aviation Act—

Civil Aviation Regulations—Exemptions—2008 Nos CASA EX04, CASA EX10 [F2008L00084], [F2008L00245].

Civil Aviation Safety Regulations—Airworthiness Directives under—
Part 39-105—

AD/A320—No. 211 [F2008L00539].

AD/A330—No. 53—Cancellation [F2008L00538].

AD/AS 355—No. 97 [F2008L00537].

AD/B727—No. 161—Amendment (No. 1)—Cancellation [F2008L00536].

AD/B737—

No. 121—Amendment (No. 2)—Cancellation [F2008L00535].

No. 138—Amendment (No. 1)—Cancellation [F2008L00534].

No. 303—Amendment (No. 2) [F2008L00533].

AD/B747—No. 370 [F2008L00532].

AD/BEECH 90—No. 39—Cancellation [F2008L00531].

AD/BEECH 95—No. 25—Cancellation [F2008L00547].

AD/CESSNA 170—

No. 3—Cancellation [F2008L00546].

No. 42—Cancellation [F2008L00530].

No. 51—Cancellation [F2008L00415].

No. 80 [F2008L00545].

AD/CESSNA 180—

Nos 42—Cancellation [F2008L00412].

No. 91 [F2008L00543].

AD/CESSNA 206—No. 17—Cancellation [F2008L00411].

AD/CESSNA 208—No. 20—Amendment (No. 1)—Cancellation [F2008L00409].

AD/CESSNA 310—No. 40—Cancellation [F2008L00408].

AD/CESSNA 337—No. 20—Cancellation [F2008L00403].

AD/CL-600—No. 93 [F2008L00400].

AD/DO 328—No. 70 [F2008L00542].

AD/J4100—Nos 10, 11, 12, 13 [F2008L00499], [F2008L00500], [F2008L00501], [F2008L00502].

AD/LJ45—No. 12 [F2008L00541].

AD/R22—No. 54—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L00527].

AD/R44—No. 22—Amendments (Nos 1, 2) [F2008L00526], [F2008L00553].

Part 39-106—

AD/CF6—No. 69 [F2008L00402].

AD/PW300—No. 2 [F2008L00551].

Customs Act—Orders—

Tariff Concession—

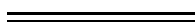
2007—No. 0712636 [F2008L00461].

2008—Nos 0716473, 0717665, 0718676, 0718970, 0718990, 0718999, 0719053, 0719097, 0719349, 0719399, 0719685, 0719748, 0719749, 0719754, 0719758, 0719765, 0719792, 0719817, 0719989, 0720079, 0720092 [F2008L00442], [F2008L00463], [F2008L00464], [F2008L00459], [F2008L00466], [F2008L00468], [F2008L00471], [F2008L00472], [F2008L00475], [F2008L00362], [F2008L00446], [F2008L00444], [F2008L00476], [F2008L00478], [F2008L00480], [F2008L00437], [F2008L00436], [F2008L00441], [F2008L00438], [F2008L00445], [F2008L00443].

Tariff Concession Revocation—2008 Nos 27, 29, 30 [F2008L00481], [F2008L00483], [F2008L00485].

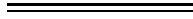
Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act—Variations to the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code—2008 Amendment No. 96 [F2008L00523].

Motor Vehicle Standards Act—Determination—2005 Vehicle standard (Australian design rule 83/00—External noise)—Amendment (No. 1) [F2008L00571].



ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bidgood, Mr Bowen, Mr Byrne, Ms Campbell, Mr Costello, Mr Coulton, Mr Debus, Mr Downer, Mr Dutton, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Haase, Mr Hawker, Dr Jensen, Mr Kerr, Ms Macklin, Mr McClelland, Mr McGauran, Mr McMullan, Mrs Moylan, Mr Murphy, Ms Neal, Mr O'Connor, Ms Plibersek, Mr Pyne, Mr Rudd, Mr Ruddock, Mr Schultz, Mr Snowdon, Mr Tanner, Mr Tuckey, Mr M. A. J. Vaile, Ms Vamvakinou and Mr Windsor.

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