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1 MEETING OF SENATE

The Senate met at 12.30 pm. The President (Senator the Honourable Paul Calvert) took the chair and read prayers.

2 LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE AUSTRALIAN DEMOCRATS—STATEMENT BY LEAVE

Senator Bartlett, by leave, informed the Senate of his election as the Leader of the Australian Democrats and the appointment of Senate Allison as Acting Deputy Leader.

Suspension of sitting: On the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Regional Services (Senator Boswell) the sitting of the Senate was suspended till 2 pm.

At 2 pm—

3 Notice

Senator Cherry, on behalf of Senator Allison: To move 6 sitting days after today—That section 25.2 of the Disability Discrimination Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002, made under subsection 31(1) of the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992*, be amended as follows:

At the end of section 25.2, add:

(3) A person accompanying and/or assisting a person with a disability, who is required by reason of the person's disability to provide assistance, should not be required to pay a fare.

4 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—BALI—TERRORIST ATTACKS

The Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Hill), by leave, moved—That the Senate—

- (a) expresses its outrage and condemnation at the barbaric terrorist bombings which took place in Bali on 12 October 2002;
- (b) extends its deepest and heartfelt sympathy to the families and loved ones of those Australians killed, missing or injured in this brutal and despicable attack;
- (c) offers its condolences to the families and friends of the Indonesians and citizens of other countries who have been killed or injured;
- (d) condemns those who employ terror and indiscriminate violence against innocent people;
- (e) commits the Australian Government to work with the Indonesian Government and others to bring those who are guilty of this horrendous crime, and all those who harbour and support them, to justice; and
- (f) reaffirms Australia's commitment to continue the war against terrorism in our region and in the rest of the world.

The motion was supported and all senators present stood in silence as a mark of respect to those killed as a result of the terrorist attacks.

Question passed.

5 ADJOURNMENT

The Minister for Defence (Senator Hill) moved—That, as a mark of respect to the memory of those killed, the Senate do now adjourn.

The Senate adjourned at 3.06 pm till Tuesday, 15 October 2002 at 2 pm.

6 ATTENDANCE

Present, all senators except Senators Allison, Ian Campbell, Chapman*, Denman and Stott Despoja (* on leave).

HARRY EVANS Clerk of the Senate

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