

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**SELECTION COMMITTEE**

**REPORT No. 10**

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

**18 June 2014**

## MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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## Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business and of private Members' business

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1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 17 June 2014.
2. The committee determined the order of precedence and times to be allotted for consideration of committee and delegation business and private Members' business on Monday, 23 June 2014, as follows:

### Items for House of Representatives Chamber (10.10 am to 12 noon)

#### COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION BUSINESS

##### Presentation and statements

##### 1 Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

*Statement to the House on the Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States of America to Improve International Tax Compliance and to Implement FATCA.*

*The Committee determined that statements may be made — all statements to conclude by 10.15 am.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Wyatt Roy — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 1 x 5 mins]

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

##### Notices

- 1 **MR BANDT:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Defence Act 1903* to provide for parliamentary approval of overseas service by members of the Defence Force. (*Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2014*)  
(Notice given 16 June 2014.)

*Time allotted — 10 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Bandt — 10 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 1 x 10 mins]

*Presenter may speak to the second reading for a period not exceeding 10 minutes — pursuant to standing order 41.*

## Orders of the day

### 1 HIGH SPEED RAIL PLANNING AUTHORITY BILL 2013 (*Mr Albanese*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2013*).

*Time allotted — 5 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mr Albanese — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 1 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## Notices — continued

### 2 MRS PRENTICE: To move—That this House:

- (1) expresses concern at the detention in Egypt of Australian citizen Peter Grete;
- (2) notes that:
  - (a) Mr Grete is detained and currently on trial solely for conducting his role as a journalist and for peacefully expressing his opinion on events in Egypt; and
  - (b) the imprisonment of Peter Grete is contrary to the right to freedom of speech and expression;
- (3) recognises that the Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Attorney-General have all been in contact with their Egyptian counterparts seeking Peter Grete's release; and
- (4) notes that the Australian Government:
  - (a) is offering all possible consular assistance to Peter Grete and his family;
  - (b) has been working with Egyptian authorities at all appropriate opportunities; and
  - (c) is making direct and high-level representation to a number of other governments as part of a multi-pronged strategy to raise our ongoing concerns about the case.

*(Notice given 16 June 2014.)*

*Time allotted — 50 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Mrs Prentice — 10 minutes.*

*Next Member speaking — 10 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 10 + 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**3 MS PARKE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
- (a) shipbuilding is an industry that delivers the highest-value and most complex manufacturing outcomes produced in Australia, and therefore represents expertise and capacity that must be maintained for its very significant national economic and security benefits;
  - (b) as an example of the multiplier effects of shipbuilding projects in respect of the quality and range of manufacturing it both requires and enables, at the commencement of the Collins-class submarine project there were only 35 Australian companies certified to Defence quality standards, whereas by 1998 there were more than 1,500;
  - (c) there are currently more than 7,000 people employed in shipbuilding across Australia, including more than 4,000 people employed in naval shipbuilding alone;
  - (d) the Government has identified the need for more than 80 ships over the next 30 years for service in the Royal Australian Navy, and as part of border protection, Antarctic operations and scientific research, among other roles; and
  - (e) if Australian shipbuilding is not supported through a properly planned and managed program of project and maintenance work, it is likely that shipyards will close, thousands of jobs will be lost, and the critical expertise and capacity that have been developed will be irreparably squandered; and
- (2) calls on the Government to:
- (a) provide certainty to the Australian shipbuilding industry and to thousands of Australian workers by settling a short, medium and long term program of government shipbuilding projects to ensure a balanced work flow and smooth delivery of key naval assets; and
  - (b) bring forward relevant shipbuilding projects, including the Pacific patrol boat and replacement Anzac frigate projects, in a timely manner to ensure that shipyards, companies, and workers are not put at risk.

*(Notice given 16 June 2014.)*

*Time allotted — remaining private Members’  
business time prior to 12 noon.*

*Speech time limits —*

*Ms Parke — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## Items for Federation Chamber (11 am to 1.30 pm)

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

#### Notices

**1 MR NEUMANN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples (Congress) is the national representative body of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples; and
  - (b) Congress:
    - (i) was established with a view to creating a new relationship with governments to reset the relationship based on partnership and genuine engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples; and
    - (ii) is owned and controlled by its membership and independent of government;
- (2) recognises:
  - (a) the important role of Congress as a leader and advocate for recognising the status and rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders as First Nations Peoples in Australia; and
  - (b) that the existence of an effective national body is essential to the Government's ability to fulfil its Closing the Gap targets;
- (3) acknowledges that:
  - (a) Congress received Deductible Gift Recipient status in July 2013, allowing it to begin to pursue income opportunities with corporate Australia and the wider community;
  - (b) the previous government committed:
    - (i) \$29.2 million over four years to establish Congress; and
    - (ii) \$15 million over three years in the 2013 budget to support Congress to continue to develop income opportunities to sustain the organisation; and
  - (c) ongoing Commonwealth funding beyond 2013 is essential to support the continued sustainability of an independent national voice for First Nation Peoples;
- (4) notes with concern that the Government plans to cut the \$15 million funding and abandon the commitment to the sustainability of Congress as the national representative body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples; and
- (5) calls on the Government to commit to the sustainability of a strong Congress by honouring the \$15 million funding commitment.

*(Notice given 13 February 2014.)*

*Time allotted — 20 minutes.*

*Mr Neumann — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**2 MR SIMPKINS:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the mutually beneficial and strengthening cooperation between Australia and Japan with particular emphasis on our:
  - (a) strong trade relationship;
  - (b) significant strategic partnership; and
  - (c) developing defence equipment and technology relationship;
- (2) acknowledges the:
  - (a) Australian Government's success in concluding the Japan Australia Economic Partnership Agreement;
  - (b) scope to further enhance our relationship in areas such as investment and education;
  - (c) Australian Government's plans to combat sovereign risk for foreign investment in Australia by repealing both the carbon and mining taxes;
  - (d) importance of elevating the bilateral security and defence relationship to a new level, based on our shared strategic interests in regional and international peace, stability and prosperity; and
  - (e) importance of the forthcoming visit to Australia of Prime Minister, His Excellency Mr Shinzo Abe, in further building our strategic partnership with Japan into a new special relationship; and
- (3) commends the Australian Government for enhancing the relationship between Australia and Japan, which will be mutually beneficial for the economies and people of Australia and Japan.

*(Notice given 16 June 2014.)*

*Time allotted — 30 minutes.*

*Mr Simpkins — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## Orders of the day

### **1 AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION AMENDMENT (SCHOOL FUNDING GUARANTEE) BILL 2014** (*Mr Shorten*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 June 2014*).

*Time allotted — 20 minutes.*

*Speech time limits —*

*All Members — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

## Notices — continued

### **3 MS O'DWYER:** To move—That this House notes:

- (1) that the spirit of ANZAC is one of special significance to all Australians as it showcases the attributes of courage, mateship and sacrifice which were demonstrated at the Gallipoli landing;
- (2) that the ANZACs helped define us as a people and as a nation, they were ordinary Australians who performed extraordinary deeds and were drawn from the smallest towns and biggest cities;
- (3) that the Government is enabling Australians to honour the service and sacrifice that epitomises the ANZAC spirit by increasing the funding allocated to each federal electorate across Australia to \$125,000 via the ANZAC Centenary Local Grants Program; and
- (4) the Government's commitment to community-based commemoration, as promised at the last election.

*(Notice given 19 March 2014.)*

*Time allotted — 40 minutes.*

*Ms O'Dwyer — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

### **4 DR LEIGH:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that:
  - (a) since 1975, earnings at the 90th percentile have risen three times faster than earnings at the 10th percentile; and
  - (b) since 1980, the top 1 per cent income share has doubled, and the top 0.1 per cent income share has tripled; and
  - (c) overall, inequality in Australia is now higher than it has been in three-quarters of a century;

- (2) notes that:
- (a) analysis by NATSEM (which the Prime Minister once described as ‘the most reputable and authoritative modelling organisation in Australia’) shows that the 2014-15 budget will redistribute income from lower-income households to higher-income households;
  - (b) by 2017-18, NATSEM analysis suggests that the budget will cause:
    - (i) across all households, a 2.2 per cent drop in disposable incomes in the bottom quintile, and an 0.2 per cent rise in disposable incomes in the top quintile;
    - (ii) among couples with children, a 6.6 per cent drop in disposable incomes of households in the poorest quintile; and
    - (iii) among single parents, a 10.8 per cent drop in disposable incomes of households in the poorest quintile; and
- (3) calls upon the Government to rethink a budget that not only breaks promises and produces higher deficit figures than in the Pre-election Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2014, but also fails the ‘fair go test’ by hurting low and middle income families.

*(Notice given 2 June 2014.)*

*Time allotted — 20 minutes.*

*Dr Leigh — 5 minutes.*

*Other Members — 5 minutes each.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 4 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**5 MS MACTIERNAN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes with concern the extent to which 457 visas are being used where there are ample, suitably qualified Australians; and
- (2) urges the Government not to delay the completion of its review or its response to this growing problem.

*(Notice given 3 June 2014.)*

*Time allotted — 10 minutes.*

*Ms MacTiernan — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**6 MS HALL:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
  - (a) June is Lipoedema Awareness Month, and that Lipoedema is a painful disorder of fat metabolism and distribution that causes deposition of fat in 5 to 15 per cent of the population (mainly women) in the legs and arms; and
  - (b) Lipoedema is:
    - (i) an underdiagnosed disorder for which sufferers receive poor medical diagnosis and no counselling support—Lipoedema is a poorly supported illness; and
    - (ii) one of the most underfunded chronic conditions in Australia with limited research as to its cause and the treatment required for patients;
- (2) calls for:
  - (a) a public awareness campaign to be launched and for Medicare Locals to be involved in the campaign; and
  - (b) support to be given to people living with Lipoedema to ensure appropriate ancillary services are available; and
- (3) notes the need for research and population data on Lipoedema.  
*(Notice given 16 June 2014.)*

*Time allotted — remaining private Members’  
business time prior to 1.30 pm.*

*Ms Hall — 5 minutes.*

*Next Member — 5 minutes.*

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking  
= 2 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration  
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

**THE HON BRONWYN BISHOP MP**  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

18 June 2014