

Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee Budget Estimates 2017-18 Thursday, 1 June 2017 Daily summary

Here is a summary of today's proceedings in the Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee Budget Estimates.

The committee met from 9.00 am to 10.20 pm.

The committee called the department of the Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio, and agencies of that portfolio including:

- Australian Trade and Investment Commission;
- Export Finance and Insurance Corporation; and
- Tourism Australia.

Areas of interest covered today included:

- administration of overseas posts, including documenting complaints, and the conduct of Heads of Mission;
- international aid budgets;
- disaster relief in the Indo-Pacific area;
- trade relationship between Australia and China;
- facilities in the offices of each of the agencies appearing; and
- Tourism Australia funding provided to the Tasmanian state government.

The committee has not scheduled any further hearings for Budget Estimates 2017-18.