Privileges Committee—publication of records

Resolution adopted 7 December 2000, amended 13 February 2008 a.m.

That:

(1) the House authorises:
   (a) the publication of all evidence or documents taken in camera or submitted on a confidential or restricted basis to the Committee of Privileges or to the Committee of Privileges and Members’ Interests and that have been in the custody of the Committee for at least 30 years; and
   (b) the transfer of these records to the National Archives of Australia to enable public access to the records;

provided that, where the Speaker accepts advice that the release of a particular record would affect the national security interest, or represent an unreasonable intrusion upon the personal affairs of any person, alive or dead, or would otherwise be an exempt record under s. 33 of the Archives Act 1983, if that Act had applied to the record, the release and transfer of that record is not authorised by this resolution;

(2) this resolution has effect notwithstanding the provisions of any other resolution or standing order of the House; and

(3) this resolution has effect from 1 January 2001 and continues in force unless and until amended or rescinded by the House in this or a subsequent Parliament.