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TO: SENATORS, MEMBERS AND OTHER BUILDING OCCUPANTS

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Emergency Evacuation Exercise—Saturday 31 March 2012

1 Senators, Members and other building occupants are advised that an emergency evacuation exercise will be conducted on Saturday 31 March 2012. The evacuation will be a partial evacuation of the building at 10.00am after the report of a fire in the Great Hall galleries.

2 This exercise will require evacuation of the public areas of the building and offices in the vicinity. During the exercise the main entrance to the building will be closed. Visitors will be asked to wait on the forecourt until completion of the exercise. All car parks will remain open throughout the exercise and there will be no road closures.

3 The exercise will commence with the "Alert" tone being sounded throughout the building by means of the Emergency Warning Intercommunications System (**EWIS**). The evacuation of the public areas of the building will then proceed on the sounding of the "Evacuation" tone through the EWIS. Personnel are to evacuate the building in accordance with the Building Emergency Procedures for Parliament House, with visitors being asked to wait on the forecourt.

4 It is essential that all occupants are familiar with the evacuation procedures.

5 Any enquiries, or feedback on the conduct of the exercise, should be directed to the Deputy Chief Warden, Mr Brian Sankey, on extn 8127, or by email to brian.sankey@aph.gov.au.

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