

Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012 – THURSDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2012

FOREIGN AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

9.00am – 5.30pm

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Senator Conroy, Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister on Digital Productivity

Portfolio Overview

Mr Dennis Richardson, Departmental Secretary

Mr Bruce Gosper, Deputy Secretary (Trade)

Mr Chris Moraitis, First Assistant Secretary, Corporate Management Division

Ms Ann Thorpe, Chief Finance Officer

Mr Bryce Hutchesson, Assistant Secretary, Executive Planning and Evaluation Branch

Outcome 1— The advancement of Australia's international strategic, security and economic interests including through bilateral, regional and multilateral engagement on Australian Government foreign and trade policy priorities

Program 1.1 Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations

North Asia:

[This includes Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan, Mongolia, People's Republic of China, Republic of Korea, Taiwan]

Mr Peter Rowe, First Assistant Secretary, North Asia Division

South-East Asia:

[This includes ASEAN, Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam]

Mr Rod Smith, First Assistant Secretary, South-East Asia Division

Americas:

[This includes Canada, United States of America, South America, the Caribbean.]

Mr Justin Brown, First Assistant Secretary, Americas and Africa Division

Ms Elizabeth Schick, Assistant Secretary, United States Branch

Mr John Richardson, Assistant Secretary, Canada and Latin America Branch

Africa:

[This includes Algeria, Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of the Congo, Reunion, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe]

Mr Justin Brown, First Assistant Secretary, Americas and Africa Division

Mr Dave Sharma, Assistant Secretary, Africa Branch

Europe:

[This includes Austria, Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom]

Mr Jeremy Newman, First Assistant Secretary, Europe Division

Mr Paul Myler, Assistant Secretary, Northern, Southern & Eastern Europe Branch

Mr Peter Doyle, Assistant Secretary, EU & Western Europe Branch

South and West Asia, Middle East:

[This includes Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Iraq, Iran, Israel, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestinian Territories, Regional South Asia, Sri Lanka]

Mr Jon Merrill, Assistant Secretary, Pakistan and Afghanistan Branch

Ms Lynette Wood, Assistant Secretary, Middle East Branch

Mr Mark Pierce, Assistant Secretary, South and Central Asia Branch

Pacific:

[This includes Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, New Zealand, Nauru, Regional Pacific, Republic of Palau, Pacific Islands Forum, Papua New Guinea, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu]

Ms Jennifer Rawson, First Assistant Secretary, Pacific Division

International organisations and legal issues:

[This includes international law, sea law, climate change, Commonwealth, treaties, sanctions, transnational crime, domestic and administrative law, human rights, indigenous issues, people smuggling, refugees, United Nations]

Mr Chris Cannan, Assistant Secretary, Environment Branch

Mr James Larsen, A/g Assistant Secretary, International Organisations Branch and Ambassador for People Smuggling Issues

Ms Caroline Millar, Head, United Nations Security Council Task Force

Mr Dominic Trindade, Assistant Secretary, Domestic Legal Branch

Dr Greg French, Assistant Secretary, International Legal Branch

National security, nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation:

[This includes arms control, counter-proliferation, counter-terrorism, regional and national security, cluster munitions]

Dr Robert Floyd, ASNO –Director-General,

Mr Allan McKinnon, First Assistant Secretary, International Security Division

Mr Bill Paterson, Ambassador for Counter-Terrorism

Services to other agencies:

[This includes services to Parliament, attached agencies, business, state governments and other agencies overseas in Australia]

Mr Chris Moraitis, First Assistant Secretary, Corporate Management Division

Mr Peter Davin, Executive Director, Overseas Property Office and Services

Services to diplomatic/consular representatives:

[This includes protocol, privileges and immunities, protection]

Mr Patrick Suckling, First Assistant Secretary, Consular, Public Diplomacy and Parliamentary Affairs Division

Ms Sally Mansfield, Chief of Protocol

Mr Mark Donovan, Protection Privileges and Immunities Section –

Program 1.2 Payments to International Organisations

Mr Chris Cannan, Assistant Secretary, Environment Branch

Program 1.3 Public Information Services and Public Diplomacy

Mr Patrick Suckling, First Assistant Secretary, Consular, Public Diplomacy and Parliamentary Affairs Division

Outcome 2 The protection and welfare of Australian abroad and access to secure international travel documentation through timely and responsive travel advice and consular and passport services in Australia and overseas

Program 2.1 Consular Services

Mr Patrick Suckling, First Assistant Secretary, Consular, Public Diplomacy and Parliamentary Affairs Division

Program 2.2 Passport Services

Ms Penny Williams, Executive Director

Outcome 3 A secure Australian Government presence overseas through the provision of security services and information and communications technology infrastructure, and the management of the Commonwealth's overseas owned estate

Program 3.1 Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations

[This includes overseas physical security, overseas IT support]

Mr Tuan Dao, Chief Information Officer

Program 3.2 Overseas Property

Mr Peter Davin, Executive Director, Overseas Property Office and Services

TRADE PORTFOLIO*

***All DFAT trade portfolios are dealt in conjunction with Austrade and EFIC**

5.30pm – 6.30pm

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Trade Programs

Bilateral, regional and multilateral trade negotiations

[This includes free trade agreements, agriculture, services and intellectual property, WTO, trade law, trade policy, trade commitments]

Trade development/policy coordination and Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation

[This includes APEC, international economy and finance, market information, trade advocacy, trade finance, liaison and analysis, OECD, UNCTAD]

Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)

Outcome 1 Advance Australia's trade and investment interests through information, advice and services to businesses, industry and governments

Program 1.1 Trade and Investment Development

Program 1.2 Trade Development Schemes (Export Market Development Grants)

DFAT Witnesses

Mr Bruce Gosper, Deputy Secretary

Ms Rhonda Piggott, A/g First Assistant Secretary, Trade and Economic Policy Division

Ms Lorraine Fietz, Director, Live Animals task Force, Trade and Economic Policy Division

Mr Craig Chittick, Assistant Secretary, South-East Asia Investment and Services Branch, Free Trade Agreement Division

Mr Michael Mugliston, Special Negotiator, Free Trade Agreement Division

Mr Hamish McCormick, First Assistant Secretary, Office of Trade Negotiations

Mr George Mina, Assistant Secretary, Services and Intellectual Property Branch, Office of Trade Negotiations

Austrade Witnesses

Mr Peter Grey, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Peter Yuile, Executive Director, Education and Corporate Operations

Mr Tim Beresford, Executive Director, Australian Operations

Mr Ian Chesterfield, Group Manager, Programs, Consular and Business Services

Ms Marcia Kimball, Chief Human Resources and Change Management Officer

Mr David Crook, Group Manager, Governance, Analysis and Planning

Mr John Angle, General Manager, International Education

Mr Quentin Stevenson- Perks, Group Manager, International Education

Mr Brendan Jacomb, Group Manager, Legal, Security and Procurement

Mr Rob O'Meara, Chief Finance Officer

Mr Michael Vickers, National Manager, Policy & Scheme Development

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC)

Mr Angus Armour, Managing Director & CEO

Mr Jan Parsons, Director, Environmental and Technical Review

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE PORTFOLIO

7.30pm – 11.00pm

Australian Agency for International Development

Opening Statement

Mr Peter Baxter, Director General

Outcome 1— To assist developing countries to reduce poverty and achieve sustainable development, in line with Australia's national interest

Program 1.1 Official development assistance – PNG and Pacific

Program 1.2 Official development assistance – East Asia

Program 1.3 Official development assistance – Africa, South and Central Asia, Middle East and other

Program 1.4 Official development assistance – Emergency, humanitarian and refugee program

Program 1.5 Official development assistance – Multilateral replenishments

Program 1.6 Official development assistance – UN, Commonwealth and other international organisations

Program 1.7 Official development assistance – NGO, volunteer and community programs

Witnesses for programs 1.1-1.7

Mr James Batley, Deputy Director General

Mr Ewen McDonald, Deputy Director General

Mr James Gilling, First Assistant Director General, Pacific Division

Mr Roderick Brazier, Acting First Assistant Director General, Asia Division
 Mr Laurie Dunn, First Assistant Director General, Program Effectiveness and Performance Division
 Mr Murray Proctor, First Assistant Director General, Sectoral Policy Division
 Ms Catherine Walker, First Assistant Director General, Africa, West Asia, Middle East and Humanitarian Division
 Mr Scott Dawson, First Assistant Director General, International Programs and Partnerships Division
 Mr Blair Exell, First Assistant Director General, Corporate Enabling Division
 Mr Paul Wood, Chief Financial Officer
 Mr Simon Kidman, Chief Auditor
 Mr Dereck Rooken-Smith, Assistant Director General, Office of Development Effectiveness
 Ms Lisa Rauter, Assistant Director General, Africa and Middle East Branch
 Mr Peter Versegi, Assistant Director General, Budget Branch
 Ms Caitlin Wilson, Assistant Director General, Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands Branch
 Mr Jean-Bernard Carrasco, Assistant Director General, United Nations, Climate Change and Environment Branch
 Ms Therese Mills, Assistant Director General, Community Partnerships and Latin America Branch

Outcome 2— Australia’s national interest advanced by implementing a partnership between Australian and Indonesia for reconstruction and development

Program 2.1 East Asia

Witnesses for program 2.1

Mr James Batley, Deputy Director General

Mr Roderick Brazier, Acting First Assistant Director General, Asia Division

Proposed breaks	Morning tea	10.30am	10.45am
	Lunch	12.30pm	1.30pm
	Afternoon tea	3.30pm	3.45pm
	Dinner	6.30pm	7.30pm
	Tea Break	9.00pm	9.15pm

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