

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES

Inquiry into the allocation of land to diplomatic missions in the Australian Capital Territory

Supplementary Submission

During the public hearing on 15 February 2013, some Committee members and members of the public referred to Australia's diplomatic arrangements overseas and/or asked how other countries planned and accommodated diplomatic missions in their capitals. Particular reference was made to Washington DC, United States of America (USA) and Ottawa, Canada.

The National Capital Authority (NCA) has briefly examined diplomatic planning in Washington DC and Ottawa and offers this supplementary submission to the Committee. The NCA agrees to have his supplementary submission published on the Inquiry website if the Committee wishes.

For ease of access to the large volume of information, a number of relevant website links are noted below for the planning and development agencies in Washington DC and Ottawa.

Washington DC, USA

National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC)

The NCPC assists foreign governments with finding suitable locations for their facilities and ensures that their development is compatible with adjacent neighborhood uses.

Website, Embassies:

http://www.ncpc.gov/ncpc/Main(T2)/Planning(Tr2)/PlanningStudies(Tr3)/Embassies. html

Foreign Mission Overview Brochure:

http://www.ncpc.gov/DocumentDepot/Publications/ForeignMissions/Foreign Missi ons Overview.pdf

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Future Location Analysis:

http://www.ncpc.gov/DocumentDepot/Publications/ForeignMissions/Foreign Missi ons Location.pdf

Economic and Fiscal Impact Study:

http://www.ncpc.gov/DocumentDepot/Publications/ForeignMissions/Foreign Missi ons Impact.pdf

Ottawa, Canada

National Capital Commission (NCC)

The NCC works with foreign governments to ensure that their location, design and programming are suitable and contribute to the vitality and representativeness of the Capital Core Area

Website, Canada's Capital Core Area Sector Plan:

http://www.canadascapital.gc.ca/planning/master-plans/canadas-capital-core-area-sector-plan

Canada's Capital Core Area Sector Plan: Complete Document: <u>http://www.canadascapital.gc.ca/sites/default/files/pubs/Core-Sector-Report-2005.pdf</u>

Following sections related:

- 3.2 Land Use in the Capital Realm: Federal Accommodation, Cultural Institutions & International Presence
- 3.10 Safety and Security
- 4.3 Sussex Drive North and South

Canada's Capital Core Area Sector Plan: Summary - Vision For the Year 2025: <u>http://www.canadascapital.gc.ca/sites/default/files/pubs/Core-Sector-Vision-Summary.pdf</u>

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