

## Australian Chancery Project Paris, France - Base Building Refurbishment, International Energy Agency Tenancy Fit-out

- 4.1 The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) seeks approval to proceed with the base building refurbishment and the integrated fit-out of the area leased by the International Energy Agency (IEA) within the Australian Chancery Complex in Paris.
- 4.2 The estimated cost of the project is \$27.5 million, excluding GST.
- 4.3 The project was referred to the Committee on 12 November 2015.

### **Inquiry update**

- 4.4 This inquiry was publicised on the Committee's website and by media release. The Committee received one submission and one confidential submission regarding the project costs from DFAT.
- 4.5 The Committee's scheduled hearings on 1 February 2015 for the proposed project were postponed at the request of DFAT.
- 4.6 The Committee has suspended consideration of the project, pending further information from DFAT.

**Senator Dean Smith**

**Chair**

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