



JOINT COMMITTEES

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES**

**Strategic importance of the Indian Ocean Territories**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Tuesday 4 April 2017**

**The Courthouse  
Christmas Island, Christmas Island**

Time	Witness
9.00 am	<b>Session 1: Invited participants' roundtable</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chair's opening statement</li><li>• Invited participant introductions</li><li>• Invited participant opening statements</li><li>• General discussion</li><li>• Invited participant closing statements</li></ul>
<i>10.45 am</i>	<i>Break</i>
11.05 am	<b>Session 2: Community statements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Individuals and community groups are welcome to make a five minute statement on the inquiry topic*</li></ul> <p><b>(Please register your interest with the secretariat. Email: <a href="mailto:JSCNCET@aph.gov.au">JSCNCET@aph.gov.au</a> or phone: (02) 6277 4355)</b></p>
<i>12.15 pm</i>	<i>Close</i>