



THE SENATE

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON COVID-19**

**COVID-19**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Thursday 20 August 2020**

**Committee Room 2S1  
Parliament House , Canberra**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
9.30 am	<b>Australian Tourism Industry Council (via videoconference)</b> ( <i>Submission 162</i> ) Mr Simon Westaway, Executive Director  <b>Tourism Accommodation Australia</b> Mr Martin Ferguson, Chairman (via teleconference) Mr Michael Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (via videoconference)
10.15 am	<b>Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (via videoconference)</b> Mr John Hart, Executive Chair, Australian Chamber Tourism Committee Ms Jenny Lambert, Director, Employment and Skills, and Director, Tourism  <b>Council of Small Business Organisations of Australia</b> Mr Peter Strong, Chief Executive Officer
<b>11.00 am</b>	<b>Break</b>
11.10 am	<b>Australian Airports Association</b> ( <i>Submission 374</i> ) Mr James Goodwin, Chief Executive Officer  <b>Australian Regional Tourism (via videoconference)</b> Ms Coralie Bell, Chairperson  <b>Tourism and Transport Forum (via videoconference)</b> Ms Margy Osmond, Chief Executive Officer
12.10 pm	<b>United Workers Union (via videoconference)</b> ( <i>Submission 123</i> ) Ms Jo Briskey, National Political Coordinator, Parliamentary Affairs Ms Josephine Annink, Industrial Member, Casinos Mr Chris Ball, Industrial Member, Casinos Mr Adam Quill, Industrial Member, Pubs and Clubs
<b>12.50 pm</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>

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1.40 pm	<p><b>Australian Federation of Travel Agents (via videoconference)</b> Mr Tom Manwaring, Chairman Mr Darren Rudd, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p><b>Business Events Council of Australia</b> Dr Vanessa Findlay, Chair Mr Andrew Hiebl, Chief Executive Officer of the Association of Australian Convention Bureaux</p>
2.25 pm	<p><b>Break</b></p>
2.30 pm	<p><b>Australian Trade and Investment Commission (Austrade)</b> Mr Tim Beresford, Acting Chief Executive Officer Mr Robert Donnelly, Chief Operating Officer Mr Dom Bilbie, Head of Client Programs (via videoconference)</p> <p><b>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Submission 2)</b> Ms Frances Adamson, Secretary Ms Mary Balzary, First Assistant Secretary, Soft Power, Communications and Scholarships Division Mr James Baxter, First Assistant Secretary, Office of Trade Negotiations Mr Craig Chittick, First Assistant Secretary, United States and Indo-Pacific Strategy Division Mr Tom Connor, Acting First Assistant Secretary, Southeast Asia Division Dr Jenny Gordon, Chief Economist Ms Amanda Gorely, Ambassador for Arms Control and Counter-Proliferation, and First Assistant Secretary, International Security Division Ms Danielle Heinecke, First Assistant Secretary, Pacific Operations and Development Mr Jamie Isbister, Ambassador for the Environment &amp; First Assistant Secretary, Economic Growth and Sustainability Division Ms Elly Lawson, First Assistant Secretary, North Asia Division Ms Kate Logan, Chief of Protocol Mr Simon Newnham, Chief Legal Officer Mrs Elizabeth Peak, First Assistant Secretary, Human Development and Governance Division Ms Cathy Raper, First Assistant Secretary, COVID-19 Coordination Unit Mr Daniel Sloper, Chief People Officer Mr Gerald Thomson, First Assistant Secretary, Pacific Bilateral Mr Murali Venugopal, Chief Finance Officer Ms Elizabeth Ward, First Assistant Secretary, Trade, Investment and Business Engagement Division Dr Fiona Webster, Acting First Assistant Secretary, Consular and Crisis Management Division Dr Stephanie Williams, Ambassador for Regional Health Security Ms Suzanne McCourt, Assistant Secretary, Sanctions Crime and Sea Law Branch Mr Ben Milton, Assistant Secretary, Corporate Law Branch Ms Ruth Stone, Assistant Secretary, Human Rights Policy and Social Inclusion Branch</p> <p><b>Tourism Australia (via videoconference)</b> Ms Phillipa Harrison, Managing Director Mr Mark Craig, Executive General Manager, Corporate Services Mr Bede Fennell, Executive General Manager, Corporate Affairs</p>
4.00 pm	<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>