



THE SENATE

FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION REFERENCES COMMITTEE

The current capability of the Australian Public Service (APS)

**PUBLIC HEARING
Tuesday 20 July 2021**

**Committee Room 2S3
Parliament House, Canberra**

Time	Witness
9.00 am	Community and Public Sector Union – members from the Department of Veterans’ Affairs (<i>Submission 14</i>) Ms Melissa Donnelly, National President (via videoconference) Mr Benjamin Stern, Organiser (via videoconference) Ms Fiona Duffy, Delegate (via videoconference) Mr Shane Wright, Section Councillor (via videoconference) Mr Zac Batchelor, Regional Secretary (via videoconference)
9.45 am	Defence Families of Australia Ms Sandi Laaksonen-Sherrin, National Convenor Defence Force Welfare Association Mr Kel Ryan, National President (via videoconference)
10.30 am	Break
10.45 am	Department of Veterans’ Affairs (<i>Submission 11</i>) Ms Rachel Goddard, First Assistant Secretary, Commemorations and Transformation Division Mr Mark Harrigan, Chief Operating Officer Mr Roger Winzenberg, Assistant Secretary, People Services Branch
12.15 pm	Lunch
1.00 pm	Community and Public Sector Union – members from Services Australia (<i>Submission 19</i>) Mr Alistair Waters, National President (via videoconference) Ms Emma White, Section Secretary (via videoconference) Mr Gareth Mills, Section President (via videoconference)
1.45 pm	Federation of Ethnic Communities’ Councils of Australia Ms Lauren Stark, Senior Policy and Project Officer Economic Justice Australia Ms Anusha Goonetilleke, Social Security and Tenancy Program Manager and Lawyer, Canberra Community Law (via videoconference)
2.30 pm	Break

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2.45 pm	Services Australia (<i>Submission 12</i>) Mr Charles McHardie, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Transformation Projects Mr Michael Nelson, General Manager, People Division
4.15 pm	Adjournment