

JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

Aviation security inquiry

Committee to hear for regional and recreational aviation peak bodies for security inquiry

The Federal Parliament's Public Accounts and Audit Committee will continue to take evidence on its inquiry into aviation security with a public hearing in Canberra on Monday, 10 October.

Committee Chair, Mr Bob Baldwin MP, said, "Aviation security in the currently heightened threat environment that prevails in Australia requires the application of intelligence based risk management procedures."

"On the one hand, the security of the Australian public and the nation's infrastructure is paramount, but on the other, the Committee is aware that too onerous a regulatory regime, applied without discrimination, will regulate some sectors of the aviation industry out of existence."

"In hearing from the Regional Aviation Association of Australia and Recreational Aviation Australia, the Committee is seeking input from areas of the aviation industry that either may not require the level of security appropriately imposed upon larger players, or may require special support in meeting their security obligations."

The public hearing will be held in Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra. The Committee will hear from representatives of the following organisations:

- 9.30 am Regional Aviation Association of Australia
- 10.15 am Recreational Aviation Australia
- 11.00 am Adjourn

For media comment: please contact Mr Bob Baldwin MP on telephone

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