

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN
AFFAIRS, DEFENCE & TRADE**

MEDIA STATEMENT

**WATCHING BRIEF ON THE WAR ON TERRORISM
PUBLIC HEARING**

The ninth in a series of public hearings on Australia's preparedness to manage and respond to the consequences of a terrorist attack in Australia will be held in Canberra on Monday, 8th of March, 2004.

The hearing is being conducted by the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade as part of the Committee's ongoing Watching Brief on Australia's involvement in the War on Terrorism and into related actions in response to terrorism.

The hearing on Monday, 8th of March 2004 will focus on the role of the Canberra Government agencies in coordinating the immediate response to, and managing the consequences of, a terrorist attack.

PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Monday, 8th March 2004
TIME: 10:00am to 12:30pm
PLACE: Parliament House - Canberra
Committee Room 154

Canberra
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