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PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE— REFERENCE OF WORK—REDEVELOPMENT OF RESIDENTIAL AREAS AT ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE, DUNTROON

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Redevelopment of Residential Areas at Royal Military College, Duntroon.



List of recommendations

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that future submissions from the Defence Housing Authority include:

- surveys of the views of personnel and their families about the desirability or otherwise of living on-base;
- a cost comparison of on-base accommodation with similar accommodation off-base; and
- an analysis of the projected future viability of the base, including its accommodation requirements.

Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that future housing and other building development proposals submitted by the Defence Housing Authority and other Commonwealth departments and agencies provide a detailed comparative cost analysis between the various forms of energy management, including solar energy. The comparative cost analysis should be both qualitative and quantitative in its analysis.

Recommendation 3

The Committee recommends that the Defence Housing Authority and other Commonwealth departments and agencies that submit works proposals to the Committee for consideration ensure that consultations have taken place with the Australian Greenhouse Office about the most

appropriate and effective methods of minimising energy consumption in their development proposal for the purpose of meeting Australia's commitment to Greenhouse emissions.

Recommendation 4

The Committee recommends the following heritage matters be addressed by the Defence Housing Authority before commencing work on the proposed development:

- close consultation with the Australian Heritage Commission, particularly in relation to final design drawings prior to the commencement of the project;
- the establishment of a monitoring process during trenching or excavation;
- all sub-surface works to be monitored by an archaeologist; and
- consultations with the Australian Heritage Commission, the Australian Capital Territory Heritage Unit and representatives of the Indigenous people in relation to Indigenous and historic artefacts located on the site.

Recommendation 5

The Committee recommends the redevelopment of residential areas at the Royal Military College, Duntroon, Australian Capital Territory, proceed at the cost of \$23 million.