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- Construction of the Australian Pavilion at the Shanghai World Expo 2010, China
- Bridging of Kings Avenue over Parkes Way at the Russell Roundabout, Canberra, ACT
- Construction of New Warehousing Facilities at Wadsworth Barracks, East Bandiana, Vic

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Foreward

In accordance with the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, this report presents the views of the Committee on four of the proposed public works referred to it in March and June 2008. The works considered in this report are as follows:

- The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations proposed Fit-Out of New Leased Premises at Block 9, Section 31, Canberra, ACT (valued at \$66m);
- The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade proposal for the Construction of the Australian Pavilion at the Shanghai World Expo 2010 (valued at \$49.38m);
- The National Capital Authority proposal for the Bridging of Kings Avenue over Parkes Way at the Russell Roundabout, Canberra, ACT (valued at \$26.6m); and
- The Department of Defence proposal for the construction of New Warehousing Facilities at Wadsworth Barracks, East Bandiana, Victoria (valued at \$36.37m).

The Committee examined each proposal in respect of its need, cost, scope, purpose and value for money, and in each case, concluded that it was expedient for the works to be carried out.

I would like to thank all Members of the Committee who gave of their time in examining the broad range of issues during the course of these inquiries.

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List of abbreviations

ACT	Australian Capital Territory
Defence	Department of Defence
DEEWR	Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations
DEWHA	Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
DFAT	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
EEGO	Energy Efficiency in Government Operations
JSCNCET	Joint Standing Committee on National Capital and External Territories
PWC	Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works
NCA	National Capital Authority
NCDC	National Capital Development Commission
The Act	Public Works Committee Act 1969
WBGS	Walter Burley Griffin Society

List of recommendations

Proposed Fit-Out of New Leased Premises for the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations at Block 9, Section 31, Canberra, ACT

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives resolve, pursuant to Section 18 (7) of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, that it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work: Fit-out of New Leased Premises for the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations at Block 9, Section 31, Canberra, ACT.

Australian Pavilion at the Shanghai World Expo 2010

Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives resolve, pursuant to Section 18 (7) of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, that it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work: Construction of the Australian Pavilion at the Shanghai World Expo 2010, China.

Bridging of Kings Avenue over Parkes Way at the Russell Roundabout

Recommendation 3

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives resolve, pursuant to Section 18 (7) of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, that it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work: Bridging of Kings Avenue over Parkes Way at the Russell Roundabout, Canberra, ACT.

Construction of New Warehousing Facilities at Wadsworth Barracks, East Bandiana, Victoria

Recommendation 4

The Committee recommends that the Department of Defence report to the Committee on the outcomes of Defence's third community consultation meeting for the proposed new warehousing facilities at Wadsworth Barracks, East Bandiana, Victoria.

Recommendation 5

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives resolve, pursuant to Section 18 (7) of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, that it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work: Construction of new warehousing facilities at Wadsworth Barracks, East Bandiana, Victoria.