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President of the Senate	Speaker of the House of Representatives
Parliament House	Parliament House
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Dear Mr President and Mr Speaker

Annual Report 2004-05

1 I have pleasure in submitting the annual report of the Department of Parliamentary Services for the year ending 30 June 2005, as required by paragraph 65(1)(c) of the *Parliamentary Service Act 1999*. That provision requires the report to be presented to each House of the Parliament.

2 This is the second annual report of the department, which commenced operations from 1 February 2004.

3 The year covered in this report has been a year of uncertainty and change for all staff, and for some it has involved enormously hard work. Much progress has been made, but the next couple of years are unlikely to be easier. Rather, we will see the change process arising out of the amalgamation winding down and being replaced by a second round of change involving in-depth reviews of what the department does and how we do it.

4 I am very grateful to all staff members who, despite those uncertainties, have worked conscientiously to ensure that our clients continue to receive the same high level of service to which they have become accustomed. I am also grateful to the staff of the Corporate Group for their major role in amalgamation work over the last 18 months.

Yours sincerely

Hilary Penfold QC
Secretary

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