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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE PAPER

No. 7

MONDAY, 6 DECEMBER 2004

*The House meets this day at 12.30 p.m.***BUSINESS ACCORDED PRIORITY FOR THIS SITTING**

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

Presentation and statements

- 1 **PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO UKRAINE AND BULGARIA, 28 JUNE TO 9 JULY 2004:** Report. (*Statements to conclude by 12.40 p.m.*)
- 2 **PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS AND FRANCE, APRIL-MAY 2004:** Report. (*Statements to conclude by 12.45 p.m.*)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices†1 **MS GEORGE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the alarming growth in the ranks of 'working poor' Australians;
- (2) notes that recent ABS data shows a disturbingly high level of financial pressure among the 'working poor';
- (3) notes that the majority of 'working poor' Australians are totally reliant on minimum Award wages;
- (4) acknowledges the majority of Award workers are women in part-time and casual jobs serving the needs of others in the hospitality, retail, health, childcare and community sectors; and
- (5) supports the system of annual wage increases to minimum Award rates as determined by the AIRC. (*Notice given 16 November 2004. Time allowed—30 minutes.*)

†2 **MR A. D. H. SMITH:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the terrible, and mostly unavoidable, consequences of death and injury occurring on Australia's roads each year;
- (2) notes the importance of Australia's car and truck drivers and motor cycle riders remembering to drive and ride safely at all times, being mindful of their passengers' safety and the safety of other road users;
- (3) notes the Australian Government's plans, as announced in May 2003, for a compulsory national program of driver education for all new provisional licence holders that aims to reduce the number of young people killed and maimed on our roads;
- (4) notes the critical need for all levels of government and the broader automotive and related industries to work cooperatively with the objective of promoting safer driving and to partially fund driver education for new, mostly young, drivers; and
- (5) recognises the successes and ongoing work of community-based organisations, including schools, in their efforts to teach and promote safer driving and other key road safety messages. (*Notice given 17 November 2004. Time allowed—remaining private Members' business time prior to 1.45 p.m.*)

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time

† Debate to be adjourned to a future day at the conclusion of the time allotted.

†3 **MRS IRWIN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that 1,800 stateless Vietnamese people have been stranded in the Philippines since 1989 without residency status and are therefore ineligible to work or hold any rights of citizenship;
- (2) commends the Australian Government for granting humanitarian visas in the past four years to 68 stateless Vietnamese families comprising 260 people who have parents, children or siblings in Australia;
- (3) notes that a further 201 stateless Vietnamese families comprising 648 people with relatives in Australia remain in the Philippines;
- (4) notes that the United Kingdom and the United States of America have accepted over 300 people and have indicated a willingness to accept additional stateless Vietnamese people; and
- (5) calls on the Government to consider compassionately granting humanitarian visas to the remaining stateless Vietnamese families with relatives in Australia. (*Notice given 16 November 2004. Time allowed—30 minutes.*)

†4 **MR RANDALL:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the profound impact autism has on Australian families and the challenges they face in finding sufficient educational, developmental and respite services to help children and their carers with this life long disability;
- (2) notes that the funding of programs by the States to provide vital support to children with autism is vastly inadequate and causing unnecessary hardship and concern for their families; and
- (3) accepts that while the States have primary responsibility for the provision of disability support services, the Federal Government should play an active leadership role in what is a nationwide issue that affects 1 in 1,000 children born in Australia. (*Notice given 29 November 2004. Time allowed—remaining private Members' business time.*)

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the day

- 1 **GRIEVANCE DEBATE:** Question—That grievances be noted (*under standing order 44*).

Notices

- *1 **DR STONE:** To move—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: Development of a new collection storage facility for the National Library of Australia at Hume, ACT.
- *2 **DR STONE:** To move—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: Proposed development of land at Lee Point, in Darwin, for Defence and private housing.
- *3 **DR STONE:** To move—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: Proposed development of land for Defence housing at McDowall in Brisbane, Qld.
- *4 **DR STONE:** To move—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: Proposed fitout of new leased premises for the Attorney-General's Department at 3-5 National Circuit, Barton, ACT.
- *5 **DR STONE:** To move—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: Proposed fitout of new leased premises for the Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources in Civic, ACT.
- *6 **DR STONE:** To move—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: Proposed fitout of new leased premises for the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet at 1 National Circuit, Barton, ACT.

- *7 **DR STONE:** To move—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: Proposed new East Building for the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, ACT.

Orders of the day—*continued*

- 2 **AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004—Mr McClelland*).
- 3 **TEXTILE, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR STRATEGIC INVESTMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT (POST-2005 SCHEME) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004—Mr S. F. Smith*).
- 4 **CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (TEXTILE, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR POST-2005 ARRANGEMENTS) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004—Mr S. F. Smith*).
- 5 **TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (SMALL BUSINESS MEASURES) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- 6 **TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (SUPERANNUATION REPORTING) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- 7 **TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (RETIREMENT VILLAGES) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *8 **JAMES HARDIE (INVESTIGATIONS AND PROCEEDINGS) BILL 2004** (*Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *9 **NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION (CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS) BILL 2004** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 2 December 2004*).
- *10 **NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION (CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2004** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 2 December 2004*).
- 11 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) AMENDMENT (STORED COMMUNICATIONS) BILL 2004** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 30 November 2004*).
- 12 **SURVEILLANCE DEVICES BILL 2004** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 1 December 2004*).
- 13 **FAMILY LAW AMENDMENT (ANNUITIES) BILL 2004** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 30 November 2004*).
- 14 **FISHERIES (VALIDATION OF PLANS OF MANAGEMENT) BILL 2004** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 30 November 2004*).
- 15 **TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2004 MEASURES NO. 6) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2004—<Member's Name>*).
- *16 **AUSTRALIAN PASSPORTS BILL 2004** (*Minister for Foreign Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *17 **AUSTRALIAN PASSPORTS (APPLICATION FEES) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Foreign Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *18 **AUSTRALIAN PASSPORTS (TRANSITIONALS AND CONSEQUENTIALS) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Foreign Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- 19 **PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE INCENTIVES AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- 20 **NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT (PROSTHESES) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2004—Mr McClelland*).
- 21 **FAMILY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (ADJUSTMENT OF CERTAIN FTB CHILD RATES) BILL 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary—Children and Youth Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *22 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (FAIR DISMISSAL REFORM) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).

- *23 **AUSTRALIAN COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA AUTHORITY BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *24 **AUSTRALIAN COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA AUTHORITY (CONSEQUENTIAL AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *25 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS (CARRIER LICENCE CHARGES) AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *26 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS (NUMBERING CHARGES) AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *27 **TELEVISION LICENCE FEES AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *28 **DATACASTING CHARGE (IMPOSITION) AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *29 **RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS (RECEIVER LICENCE TAX) AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *30 **RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS (SPECTRUM LICENCE TAX) AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *31 **RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS (TRANSMITTER LICENCE TAX) AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *32 **RADIO LICENCE FEES AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- 33 **ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH**: Report of committee to be brought up (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Ruddock*).
- 34 **NEW INTERNATIONAL TAX ARRANGEMENTS (MANAGED FUNDS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 November 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- 35 **SEX DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT (TEACHING PROFESSION) BILL 2004** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004—Ms Roxon*).
- 36 **FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2004—Mr McClelland*).
- 37 **WATER EFFICIENCY LABELLING AND STANDARDS BILL 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- *38 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (RIGHT OF ENTRY) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- *39 **BROADCASTING SERVICES AMENDMENT (ANTI-SIPHONING) BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Bevis*).
- 40 **PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 4. (*from 29 November 2004*).
- *41 **AIRSERVICES AUSTRALIA—CORPORATE PLAN JULY 2004-JUNE 2009—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.

- 42 **ALCOHOL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION FOUNDATION LTD—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 43 **AUSLINK WHITE PAPER—DOCUMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 44 **QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT—1 APRIL 2004 TO 30 JUNE 2004—DOCUMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 45 **NATIONAL STANDARDS COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 46 **CIVIL AVIATION SAFETY AUTHORITY—CORPORATE PLAN 2004-2005 TO 2006-2007—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 47 **STEVEDORING INDUSTRY FINANCE COMMITTEE—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 48 **AUSTRALIAN MARITIME SAFETY AUTHORITY—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 49 **TARIFF PROPOSALS (Mr Hunt):**
 Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2004)—*moved 1 December 2004—Resumption of debate (Mr Edwards).*
- 50 **LEGISLATIVE INSTRUMENTS (TECHNICAL AMENDMENT) BILL 2004:** Second reading (*from 16 November 2004*).

Contingent notices of motion

Contingent on any bill being brought in and read a first time: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the second reading being made an order of the day for a later hour.

Contingent on any report relating to a bill being received from the Main Committee: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Contingent on any bill being agreed to at the conclusion of the consideration in detail stage: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion for the third reading being moved without delay.

Contingent on any message being received from the Senate transmitting any bill for concurrence: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—*continued*

Notices given for Monday, 6 December 2004

*1 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) the integral role that maritime salvage plays in the safety of Australia's mariners;
 - (b) the integral role that maritime salvage plays in the protection of Australia's pristine marine environment; and
 - (c) the recommendations of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Transport and Regional Services in its report *Ship Salvage* tabled in the Parliament in June 2004; and
- (2) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) urgently respond to the recommendations of the *Ship Salvage* report;
 - (b) work with the industry and State Governments to develop a long-term plan to ensure that the Australian maritime sector is protected through adequate salvage capacity; and

- (c) fund an interim solution to ensure that adequate salvage capacity exists at Australian ports. (*Notice given 2 December 2004.*)

*2 **MR RUDD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) with deep concern widely circulated reports of the further extension of the detention of the leader of the Burmese opposition party, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi until September 2005;
 - (b) that Daw Aung San Suu Kyi is being detained without charge; and
 - (c) continued widespread human rights abuses by the Burmese military regime, including the suppression of pro-democracy supporters;
- (2) calls on:
 - (a) the Burmese military regime to immediately release Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and other members of her party who are being held without charge;
 - (b) the Government to examine urgently its options for demonstrating to the Burmese authorities how seriously it views this situation;
 - (c) the Government to amend its policy of ‘constructive engagement’ with the current State Peace and Democracy Council (SPDC) regime in light of ongoing human rights abuses; and
 - (d) the Government to consider targeted sanctions against members of the SPDC regime, including restrictions on their international financial transactions, a freeze on assets overseas, and travel restrictions against senior members of the regime travelling to Australia; and
- (3) condemns the failure of Prime Minister Howard to use the opportunities presented at the ASEAN summit in Vientiane to raise Australia’s ongoing concerns about the Burmese military regime’s continued human rights abuses. (*Notice given 2 December 2004.*)

Notices—*continued*

1 **MR PRICE:** To move—

- (1) That a Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing be appointed to inquire into:
 - (a) proposals for the annual estimates and the additional estimates for the House of Representatives;
 - (b) proposals to vary the staff structure of the House of Representatives, and staffing and recruitment policies; and
 - (c) such other matters as are referred to it by the House;
- (2) That the committee shall:
 - (a) in relation to estimates—
 - (i) determine the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills for the annual and the additional appropriations; and
 - (ii) report to the House upon its determinations prior to the consideration by the House of the relevant parliamentary appropriation bill; and
 - (b) in relation to staffing—
 - (i) make recommendations to the Speaker; and
 - (ii) report to the House on its determinations prior to the consideration by the House of the relevant parliamentary appropriation bill;
- (3) That the committee consist of the Speaker and 11 other members, 6 members to be nominated by the Chief Government Whip or Whips and 5 members to be nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip or Whips or any independent Member;
- (4) That the committee elect a Government member as its chair;
- (5) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall act as chair of the committee at any time when the chair is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chair and deputy chair are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to act as chairman at that meeting;
- (6) That the committee have power to appoint subcommittees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to any subcommittee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine;
- (7) That the committee appoint the chair of each subcommittee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chair of a subcommittee is not present at a meeting of the subcommittee the

members of the subcommittee present shall elect another member of that subcommittee to act as chair at that meeting;

- (8) That the quorum of a subcommittee be a majority of the members of that subcommittee;
 - (9) That members of the committee who are not members of a subcommittee may participate in the public proceedings of that subcommittee but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum;
 - (10) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to send for persons, papers and records;
 - (11) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to move from place to place;
 - (12) That a subcommittee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House;
 - (13) That the committee have leave to report from time to time; and
 - (14) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders. (*Notice given 16 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)
- 2 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) refers to the Standing Committee on Procedure the draft Framework of Ethical Principles for Members and Senators and the draft Framework of Ethical Principles for Ministers and Presiding Officers dated 1995;
 - (2) seeks advice from the Procedure Committee as to the continuing validity or otherwise of the drafts; and
 - (3) requests the Procedure Committee to confer with the Procedure Committee of the Senate in its consideration of these matters. (*Notice given 16 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)
- 3 **MR L. FERGUSON:** To move—That this House:
- (1) calls on the United Nations Security Council to immediately consider and take appropriate actions to respond to the growing threats posed to the Southeast Asia region by conditions in Burma;
 - (2) supports actions implementing the result of 1990 elections in Burma and to support the Committee Representing the People's Parliament for the restoration of Democracy in Burma; and
 - (3) records its strong concern about the continued detention of Aung San Suu Kyi and 2000 political prisoners and calls for their immediate and unconditional release. (*Notice given 29 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)
- 4 **MR B. P. O'CONNOR:** To move—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges 1 December 2004 as World AIDS Day;
 - (2) acknowledges that the primary objective of World AIDS Day 2004 is to further enable women and girls to take a primary role in changing the underlying cultural, social and economic barriers which make women more vulnerable to infection;
 - (3) acknowledges that women have a central role in educating their families and their wider communities about HIV/AIDS prevention, and in supporting those with the disease; and
 - (4) recognises that women and girls are biologically, economically and socially vulnerable to HIV infection and AIDS, and that violence or economic dependence disproportionately increases their chances of contracting the virus. (*Notice given 29 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)
- 5 **MR JOHNSON:** To move—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges the importance and value of free trade agreements in strengthening bilateral relations between countries and producing international trade benefits;
 - (2) recognises the enormous opportunities for Australia in furthering trade arrangements with the world's fastest growing economy, China; and
 - (3) supports the Government's Australia-China Free Trade Agreement Joint Feasibility Study currently underway into the viability of a free trade agreement between Australia and China. (*Notice given 29 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)

6 MR LINDSAY: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that:
 - (a) passive welfare payments to Aboriginal communities, asking nothing in return from the recipient, have denied them the pride they deserve and the opportunity to shape their own destiny;
 - (b) education is the key to change, and that childhood intervention to improve education will boost employment opportunities and head off longer-term problems; and
 - (c) the leadership capacity of individuals in local communities must be fostered, and that we should support those Aboriginal leaders who want to stand up and ‘tell it like it is’, rather than dealing with elected or appointed intermediaries who will not be accountable;
- (2) condemns the violence and unlawful destruction of property in Aboriginal communities this year, which puts the lives of police and others at risk; and
- (3) calls on Aboriginal communities to show the leadership they need to move forward into a more successful future. (*Notice given 29 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)

7 MR SERCOMBE: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) international observers, including the International Election Monitoring Mission of the Organisation of Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), have reported that the recent election in Ukraine has fallen short of international standards;
 - (b) free elections are an essential component of the democratic process which reflects the will of the Ukrainian people;
 - (c) there is a widespread perception in the world community that the conduct of the elections in Ukraine has not achieved democratic norms;
 - (d) the most blatant and widespread abuses of the election process in Ukraine are reported to have involved the manipulation of absentee votes and the uneven and biased access to the government-owned media; and
 - (e) a resolution to the disputed election results can only be achieved through a new election which is conducted in a transparent manner that meets international standards;
- (2) calls on the Government of Ukraine to:
 - (a) ensure the safety and welfare of all its citizens taking part in peaceful demonstrations that exercise their democratic rights; and
 - (b) hold a new presidential election based on democratic principles, which:
 - (i) allows both presidential candidates equal and unbiased access to the mass media of Ukraine in the period leading up to the new election date; and
 - (ii) ensures that international observers participate at all levels of the election process to achieve a result that is acceptable to all parties;
- (3) requests the Speaker of the House of Representatives to transmit this resolution to the outgoing President of Ukraine, Leonid Kuchma, the Parliament of Ukraine and the Ukrainian Ambassador to Australia; and
- (4) urges the Australian Government to make further representations to the above effect. (*Notice given 29 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)

8 MR NEVILLE: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the role of parents raising profoundly disabled children;
- (2) acknowledges the challenges faced by these parents in respect of caring, respite and funding of special equipment and services;
- (3) calls for a comprehensive re-assessment of the eligibility of parents (generally, though not exclusively, the mother) to a Carer’s Allowance or Payment according to the level of disability and dependence; and
- (4) requests an examination of respite services and medical requisites available to parents and their disabled charges. (*Notice given 29 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)

9 **MR BAIRD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes with concern;
 - (a) the ongoing humanitarian and human rights crisis in the Darfur region of Western Sudan; and
 - (b) the decimation of this area and the south of the country by Janjaweed and the ongoing civil war;
- (2) commends the Government for its:
 - (a) recent commitment to provide a further \$12 million in aid to the region in addition to the \$8 million committed in May and June of this year; and
 - (b) continued support for the establishment of a United Nations intervention in the area to ensure the delivery of aid; and
- (3) urges the United Nations to emphasise to the al-Bashir Government the importance of intervention to the safety of Darfur and the provision of assistance throughout the country. (*Notice given 30 November 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)

10 **MR SCOTT:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) international observers, including the International Election Monitoring Mission of the Organisation of Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), have reported that the recent presidential election in Ukraine has fallen well short of international standards;
 - (b) reported irregularities include suspiciously high voter turnout in several regions, the fraudulent use of absentee voting, intimidation of voters at some polling stations, abuse of state resources, and overt media bias;
 - (c) in such circumstances the officially declared results of the election cannot be taken to properly represent the will of the Ukrainian people; and
 - (d) a resolution to the current political crisis in Ukraine can only be achieved through a new election which is conducted in a transparent manner that meets international standards;
- (2) calls on the Government of Ukraine to:
 - (a) ensure the safety and welfare of all its citizens, including those taking part in peaceful demonstrations as part of the exercise of their democratic rights; and
 - (b) hold a new presidential election based on democratic principles that:
 - (i) ensures absentee ballots are cast in a free and democratic manner, and are not subject to abuse;
 - (ii) allows both presidential candidates equal and unbiased access to the mass media of Ukraine in the period leading up to the new election date; and
 - (iii) ensures that international observers participate at all levels of the election process to achieve a result that is acceptable to all parties;
- (3) requests the Speaker to transmit this resolution to the outgoing President of Ukraine Leonid Kuchma, the Parliament of Ukraine and the Ukrainian Ambassador to Australia; and
- (4) urges the Australian Government to make further representations to the above effect. (*Notice given 1 December 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 6 December 2004.*)

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS (standing orders 34, 39 and 40): Presentation and consideration of committee and delegation reports has precedence each Monday.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS (standing orders 34 and 35) has precedence from the conclusion of consideration of committee and delegation reports, being interrupted at 1.45 p.m. and then continuing for 1 hour after the presentation of petitions each Monday.

The **SELECTION COMMITTEE** is responsible for determining the order of precedence and allotting time for debate on consideration of committee and delegation reports and private Members' business. Its determinations for today are shown under "Business accorded priority for this sitting". Any private Members' business not called on, or consideration of private Members' business or committee and delegation reports which has been interrupted and not re-accorded priority by the Selection Committee on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays, shall be removed from the Notice Paper (standing order 42).

BUSINESS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Orders of the day**

- 1 **AVIATION SECURITY AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister for Transport and Regional Services*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 December 2004—Mr Ripoll, in continuation*).
 - 2 **HIGHER EDUCATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 2004** (*Minister for Education, Science and Training*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 November 2004—Mr McClelland*).
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QUESTIONS IN WRITING

On the first sitting day of each fortnight, a complete Notice Paper is published containing all unanswered questions. On subsequent days, only new questions for the sitting are included in the Notice Paper. The full text of all unanswered questions is available at:

www.aph.gov.au/house/info/notpaper/qons.pdf.

Questions unanswered

Nos 1-124, 126-295.

6 December 2004

*296 **MR BEAZLEY:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) How much ammonium nitrate is (a) produced in, and (b) imported into Australia each year.
- (2) Which Australian ports handle ammonium nitrate and how much nitrate passes through each port.
- (3) Which vessels have carried ammonium nitrate, and, of these vessels, which (a) are owned by Australian shipowners, and (b) have been operated under a flag of convenience.
- (4) For each of the last five years, how many single or multiple voyage permits have been issued for coastal trade to ships carrying ammonium nitrate that were (a) Australian owned, and (b) operating under flags of convenience.

*297 **MR EDWARDS:** To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Is it the case that income earned by Australian resident taxpayers derived from service in the Joint Petroleum Development Area is taxed by the Government of East Timor and is also assessable under subsection 6-5(2) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*; if so, will he explain why this income is taxed by both governments.
- (2) Will he review this unfair double impost with a view to ensuring that these residents are only taxed once on their earnings.

*298 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Are anticipated diplomatic vacancies, including Ambassadorial-level appointments, advertised.
- (2) Are all candidates for diplomatic appointments required to make formal applications; if not, what other procedures are used.
- (3) Is there a selection panel which decides on diplomatic appointments; if so, (a) who appoints its members, (b) who is on it, and (c) can he or the Prime Minister overrule its decisions.
- (4) What is (a) his, and (b) the Prime Minister's role in the selection of candidates for diplomatic posts.
- (5) What senior diplomatic vacancies at Australia's overseas posts are expected to become available in 2005.

*299 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Will the position of (a) Ambassador to France, (b) Ambassador to the United States, and (c) High Commissioner to the United Kingdom become vacant in 2005; if so, for each position, (i) when and where was the position advertised, (ii) what are the selection criteria for the position, and (iii) how many candidates have applied.
- (2) In respect of each position, has he asked that any people who are not employees of his department be considered; if so, how many and who are they.
- (3) In respect of each position, when does he expect to announce the appointment.

*300 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) What sum has his department spent on the McKinnon case which relates to government legal advice on whether Mr David Hicks is legally held by the Government of the United States of America.
- (2) Has his department received any legal advice supporting the release to Mr McKinnon of some or any of the documents that are still being withheld in that case.

- (3) Is it the case that during the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) hearing into McKinnon and his department, the AAT heard that Mr Hicks was a special case and had been denied consular support by his department; if so, what are the details of other occasions where Australian citizens have been treated as 'special cases' by the Australian Government and denied consular support.
- (4) Does the issuing of a conclusive certificate require the appropriate Minister personally to inspect each document covered by the certificate before issuing it; if so, when did he carry out such an exercise and how long did he take to review the documents in dispute.

*301 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) How many passports were issued by his department during 2003-2004.
- (2) How many passports were posted to passport applicants during 2003-2004.
- (3) Were all passports that were mailed to applicants sent by registered mail; if not, by what means were they sent.
- (4) How many passports that were mailed to applicants were reported not to have arrived at the intended location.
- (5) How many passports remain unaccounted for (a) in total, and (b) of those issued during 2003-2004.

*302 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) How many copies of "Iraq: The Path Ahead" did his department publish in 2004.
- (2) How many copies were sent to (a) media outlets, and (b) Members of Parliament and how many copies was each Member of Parliament sent.
- (3) To whom else were copies sent.
- (4) What was the total cost of (a) producing, and (b) distributing this publication.

*303 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Who is entitled to use his department's email media distribution list.
- (2) Is his office entitled to use his department's email media distribution list.
- (3) Did his office use his department's email media distribution list during the 'caretaker' period of the 2004 federal election campaign; if so, (a) on how many occasions, (b) which emails were distributed, and (c) what involvement did his department have in facilitating its use.
- (4) Is he aware that section 6.2.8 of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's *Guidance on Caretaker Conventions* states that electronic bulletin boards and e-mail systems provided by agencies should not be used to publish political material.

*304 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) What discussions did his department have with Indonesian authorities prior to 17 October 2004 on the prospect of a security treaty between Australia and Indonesia.
- (2) Did he instruct his department prior to 17 October 2004 to engage in talks with Indonesian authorities about the prospect of a security treaty between Australia and Indonesia.

*305 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is he aware of the Amnesty International report dated 27 October 2004 titled *Human Dignity Denied: Torture and accountability in the 'war on terror'*; if so, has he read the report.
- (2) Have any members of his staff read the report.
- (3) Is he aware of that part of the report which states that the released Swedish detainee Mehdi Ghezali told Amnesty International that he was subjected to sleep deprivation in April 2004, three months before he was released; if so, (a) was it drawn to his attention by his department, (b) did he ask his department to investigate the claim and if he did not, why not, and (c) did his department investigate the claim; if not, (i) why not, and (ii) will he now instruct his department to investigate the claims.
- (4) Does he still claim that Mr David Hicks and Mr Mamdouh Habib have been treated humanely during their detention at Guantanamo Bay.

*306 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Will he explain the current Government policy on Kurdistan and, in particular, is it Government policy to advocate independence for Kurdistan.
- (2) Is he aware of Senator Lightfoot's comments on 22 November 2004 in which he supported an independent state for Kurdistan and Senator Lightfoot's media statement advocating his support for an independent Kurdish state.

- (3) Is Senator Lightfoot's support for an independent Kurdish state consistent with Government policy.
 - (4) Did Senator Lightfoot discuss the Senator's position on Kurdistan with him or his office prior to issuing the Senator's media release.
 - (5) Has he, his office or his department had contact with Turkish Government officials regarding Senator Lightfoot's advocacy of an independent Kurdish state; if so, can he say what is the official position of the Turkish Government concerning an independent Kurdish state.
 - (6) Has he, his office or his department had contact with Iranian Government officials regarding Senator Lightfoot's advocacy of an independent Kurdish state; if so, can he say what is the official position of the Iranian Government concerning an independent Kurdish state.
 - (7) Has he, his office or his department had contact with officials from the (a) Interim Iraqi Government, (b) United States of America's Administration in Iraq, and (c) United Nations regarding Senator Lightfoot's advocacy of an independent Kurdish state; if so, can he say what is the position of the (a) Interim Iraqi Government, (b) United States of America's Administration in Iraq, and (c) United Nations concerning an independent Kurdish state.
- *307 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Treasurer—
- (1) What sum has his department spent on the McKinnon case involving documents about bracket creep and the first home buyers scheme.
 - (2) Has his department received any legal advice supporting the release to Mr McKinnon of some or any of the documents that are still being withheld in that case.
 - (3) Does the issuing of a conclusive certificate require the appropriate Minister personally to inspect each document covered by the certificate before issuing it; if so, when did he carry out such an exercise and how long did he take to review the documents in dispute.
- *308 **MR ANDREN:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
- (1) In respect of the Regional Partnership grant for (a) Blayney Sea Link, and (b) MacSmith Milling Manildra in the electoral division of Calare announced during the 2004 election campaign, (i) what date was the project approved, (ii) what date did the Area Consultative Committee recommend funding the project, (iii) which Regional Partnerships eligibility criteria did the project satisfy, (iv) what are the expected employment outcomes for the project, (v) what sum was contributed to the project by the applicant, (vi) when did the project satisfy due diligence requirements, and (vii) what supporting documentation was supplied with the application.
 - (2) Is he aware that his Parliamentary Secretary told ABC Radio in Orange on 26 November 2004 that the due diligence investigation of the two projects was yet to be completed.
 - (3) Is he (a) aware that the recipient of the Manildra grant told the same ABC program that an offer "was on the table"; and (b) satisfied this comment indicated the project had been satisfactorily approved.
 - (4) Can he confirm that the statement in the *Western Advocate* on 29 November 2004 quoting his spokesman as saying "funding is yet to be approved for the Blayney Sea-Link service" was correct at the time.
 - (5) Is he aware that the then Parliamentary Secretary informed me on 28 and 29 September 2004 in separate letters that the projects had been approved.
 - (6) Can he explain the contradiction between the two announcements.
 - (7) Has each project received its funding; if so, when did this occur.
- *309 **MR JENKINS:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
- (1) What was the date of the decision to offer the Victorian State Government Commonwealth involvement in the funding of the after-hours medical care service co-located at the Northern Hospital and when was it announced.
 - (2) What are the details of the Commonwealth's involvement and are there any conditions or requirements being sought by the Commonwealth in relation to the funding.
 - (3) What sum will be provided by the Commonwealth.
 - (4) Is the Commonwealth's contribution a single grant or will it provide ongoing funding.
 - (5) Who will be the auspice of the after-hours medical care service.
- *310 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Treasurer—
- (1) What recent advice has he received from his department regarding the anticipated current account deficit in 2005.

- (2) What recent advice has he received from his department regarding the anticipated growth in Australia's net foreign debt.
- (3) What specific Government policies will address the growth in net foreign debt.

*311 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) For how long can the Australian economy sustain imports at almost three times the level of exports.
- (2) What advice has he received on the implications for the Australian economy if the imbalance persisted through 2005 and 2006.
- (3) What advice has he received on the impact on interest rates of a continuing and growing trade imbalance.

*312 **MR K. J. THOMSON:** To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) How does the Minister reconcile the Government's election commitment in October regarding the preservation of a further 170,000 hectares of Tasmanian old growth forest with reports in *The Australian* on 1 December 2004 that this target will not be met.
- (2) When does the Minister anticipate that the Federal and Tasmanian Governments will achieve agreement on Tasmanian old growth forests.

*313 **MR BALDWIN:** To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) How many Australian military personnel in D Company, 6RAR were involved in the Battle of Long Tan on 18 August 1966 (a) in total, (b) who were National Service Conscripts, and (c) who were Regular Enlisted Personnel.
- (2) What was the name and rank of the (a) National Service Conscripts, and (b) Regular Enlisted Personnel involved in the Battle of Long Tan.
- (3) How many Australian military personnel in D Company, 6RAR were killed in the Battle of Long Tan on 18 August 1966 (a) in total, (b) who were National Service Conscripts, and (c) who were Regular Enlisted Personnel.
- (4) What was the name and rank of the (a) National Service Conscripts, and (b) Regular Enlisted Personnel involved in the Battle of Long Tan.
- (5) How many Australian military personnel in D Company, 6RAR were injured in the Battle of Long Tan on 18 August 1966 (a) in total, (b) who were National Service Conscripts, and (c) who were Regular Enlisted Personnel.
- (6) What was the name and rank of the (a) National Service Conscripts, and (b) Regular Enlisted Personnel injured in the Battle of Long Tan.
- (7) How many Australian military personnel in D Company, 6RAR were awarded citations, medals or awards as a result of their involvement in the Battle of Long Tan on 18 August 1966 (a) in total, (b) who were National Service Conscripts, and (c) who were Regular Enlisted Personnel.
- (8) What was the name and rank of the (a) National Service Conscripts, and (b) Regular Enlisted Personnel who were awarded citations, medals or awards as a result of their involvement in the Battle of Long Tan.
- (9) How many Australian military personnel in D Company, 6RAR were awarded citations, medals or awards posthumously as a result of their involvement in the Battle of Long Tan on 18 August 1966 (a) in total, (b) who were National Service Conscripts, and (c) who were Regular Enlisted Personnel.
- (10) What was the name and rank of the (a) National Service Conscripts, and (b) Regular Enlisted Personnel who were awarded citations, medals or awards posthumously as a result of their involvement in the Battle of Long Tan.

*314 **MR BALDWIN:** To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) During which years did Australian military personnel serve in Vietnam.
- (2) How many Australian (a) Army, (b) Air Force, and (c) Navy personnel (i) in total, (ii) who were National Service Conscripts, and (iii) who were Regular Enlistment Personnel served in Vietnam.
- (3) How many Australian (a) Army, (b) Air Force, and (c) Navy personnel (i) in total, (ii) who were National Service Conscripts, and (iii) who were Regular Enlistment Personnel were killed in Vietnam.
- (4) How many Australian (a) Army, (b) Air Force, and (c) Navy personnel (i) in total, (ii) who were National Service Conscripts, and (iii) who were Regular Enlistment Personnel were injured in Vietnam.

- (5) How many Australian (a) Army, (b) Air Force, and (c) Navy personnel (i) in total, (ii) who were National Service Conscripts, and (iii) who were Regular Enlistment Personnel were awarded citations, medals or awards in Vietnam.
- (6) How many Australian (a) Army, (b) Air Force, and (c) Navy personnel (i) in total, (ii) who were National Service Conscripts, and (iii) who were Regular Enlistment Personnel were awarded citations, medals or awards posthumously in Vietnam.
- *315 **MRS IRWIN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—
- (1) How many (a) in total, (b) sole parents, and (c) Disability Support Pensioners in the electoral division of Fowler were recipients of the Pensioner Education Supplement at 30 June 2004.
 - (2) How many Youth Allowance recipients in the electoral division of Fowler were undertaking (a) secondary studies, (b) tertiary studies at a university, and (c) tertiary or post-secondary studies at another approved education institution at 30 June 2004.
 - (3) How many Austudy recipients in the electoral division of Fowler were attending (a) primary school, (b) secondary school, (c) another approved education institution, and (d) undertaking postgraduate studies at 30 June 2004.
 - (4) How many Abstudy recipients in the electoral division of Fowler were attending (a) primary school, (b) secondary school, (c) another approved education institution, and (d) undertaking postgraduate studies at 30 June 2004.
- *316 **MRS IRWIN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—For (a) Australia, and (b) the electoral division of Fowler, what was the (i) total outstanding Student Financial Supplement Scheme loan balance at the conclusion of the scheme, and (ii) number of outstanding loans at the conclusion of the scheme.
- *317 **MRS IRWIN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—How many (a) male, and (b) female Centrelink clients in the electoral division of Fowler receiving Parenting Payment Single are also receiving Child Support Agency payments.
- *318 **MRS IRWIN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—
- (1) For each year since 2002, how many medical assessment disability support pension reviews of clients in the electoral division of Fowler were referred to Health Services Australia.
 - (2) What was the average completion time for the reviews in each of those years.
- *319 **MRS IRWIN:** To ask the Minister representing the Special Minister of State—
- (1) For the year 2003-2004, what proportion of total government advertising expenditure was directed to ethnic media.
 - (2) Was the expenditure in accordance with the 7.5 per cent campaign budget requirement in the *Guidelines for Australian Government Information Activities*.
 - (3) What proportion of expenditure was directed to newspapers published in (a) Vietnamese, (b) Chinese, (c) Arabic, (d) Serbian, (e) Macedonian, (f) Croatian, (g) Laotian, (h) Cambodian, and (i) Indian.
 - (4) Which Vietnamese language newspapers attracted government campaign and non-campaign advertising during 2003-2004 and, of those Vietnamese language newspapers which attracted government advertising, which (a) provided audited circulation figures, and (b) were audited independently by the Government Communications Unit.
- *320 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—
- (1) Has he read the article titled 'Courses dropped – tell the students' in *The Daily Telegraph* on 30 November 2004 which reported that the University of Western Sydney (UWS) recently axed both the Podiatry and Osteopathy courses for 2005 and 2006 and that the Director of the Australian Academy of Osteopaths claimed that by terminating the course the UWS seriously undermined the future of the profession in NSW.
 - (2) Has he read the article titled 'Union rails at closure of courses' in *The Australian* on 1 December 2004 which reported that staff, students and the professions' national peak bodies were not consulted.
 - (3) Can he confirm that (a) the UWS announced the decision to close the courses on 18 November 2004, (b) staff and students were not consulted or properly notified of the decision, (c) students received their notification of acceptance for these courses from the University Application Centre three weeks before the decision, and (d) many students have found it is now too late to apply for other university courses; if not, why not.
 - (4) Can he say what impact these course closures will have on the osteopathic and podiatric professions and the broader community.

- (5) Will he ensure students adversely affected by these course closures are allowed to enrol in other university courses in 2005; if so, what are the details; if not, why not.
- (6) Will he have the UWS decision to close these courses and the manner and timing of the closures investigated; if so, what are the details; if not, why not.
- (7) Will he ensure university courses in osteopathy and podiatry are available in New South Wales as soon as possible; if so, what are the details; if not, why not.

DR LAWRENCE: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. *321 - *325)—For each of the last five years, what are the details and amount of each grant and service payment by the Minister's department and agencies within the Minister's portfolio to (a) the Hillsong Foundation, and (b) its associated entities.

*321 **DR LAWRENCE:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.

*322 **DR LAWRENCE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs.

*323 **DR LAWRENCE:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

*324 **DR LAWRENCE:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services.

*325 **DR LAWRENCE:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.

MR QUICK: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. *326 - *343)—

- (1) For the year 2003-2004, what sum was spent by the Minister's department on (a) domestic, and (b) overseas air travel.
- (2) For the year 2003-2004, what proportion of domestic air travel by employees of the Minister's department was provided by (a) Qantas, (b) Regional Express, and (c) Virgin Blue.
- (3) For the year 2003-2004, what was the actual expenditure by the Minister's department on domestic air travel provided by (a) Qantas, (b) Regional Express, and (c) Virgin Blue.
- (4) For the year 2003-2004, what sum was spent by the Minister's department on business class travel on (a) domestic routes, and (b) overseas routes.
- (5) For the year 2003-2004, what sum was spent by the Minister's department on economy class travel on (a) domestic routes, and (b) overseas routes.
- (6) For the year 2003-2004, what proportion of the expenditure on air travel by the Minister's department was on the domestic routes (a) Sydney to Canberra, (b) Melbourne to Canberra, (c) Sydney to Melbourne, (d) Sydney to Brisbane, (e) Melbourne to Hobart or Launceston, and (f) Sydney to Perth.
- (7) For the year 2003-2004, how many employees of the Minister's department had membership of the (a) Qantas Chairman's Lounge, (b) Qantas Club, (c) Regional Express Membership Lounge, and (e) Virgin Blue's Blue Room paid for by the department.

*326 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Prime Minister.

*327 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.

*328 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Treasurer.

*329 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Trade.

*330 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence.

*331 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

*332 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.

*333 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Attorney-General.

*334 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.

*335 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

*336 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs.

*337 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

*338 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services.

*339 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.

*340 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.

*341 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.

*342 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage.

*343 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives

SPEAKER'S PANEL

Mr Adams, Mr Baldwin, Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Beazley, Mr Hatton, Mr Lindsay, Mr Quick, Mr Scott, Mr Somlyay, Mr Wilkie.

COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for life of 41st Parliament

Standing

Pursuant to standing orders

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS: Ms A. L. Ellis, Mr Garrett, Dr Lawrence, Mr Robb, Mr Slipper, Mr Snowdon, Dr Southcott, Mr Tuckey, Mrs D. S. Vale, Mr Wakelin.

AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY: Mr Adams, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr M. D. Ferguson, Mr Forrest, Mr Lindsay, Mr G. M. O'Connor, Mr Secker, Mr Schultz, Mr Tuckey Mr Windsor.

COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS: Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Gibbons, Mr Griffin, Mr Johnson, Mr Keenan, Jackie Kelly, Dr Laming, Mr Murphy, Ms Owens, Mr Ticehurst.

ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: Mr Baird, Mr Bowen, Mr Ciobo, Mr Fitzgibbon, Ms Grierson, Mr McArthur, Mr Robb, Mr Somlyay, Mr Tanner, Mr Turnbull.

EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING: Mr Bartlett, Ms Bird, Ms Corcoran, Mr Fawcett, Mr M. D. Ferguson, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Henry, Ms Livermore, Mrs Markus, Mr Sawford.

EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION: Mr Baker, Mr Barresi, Mr A. S. Burke, Ms A. L. Ellis, Ms Hall, Mr Henry, Mrs May, Mr B. P. O'Connor, Mr Randall, Mr Vasta.

ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE: Mr Broadbent, Ms George, Ms Hoare, Mr Jenkins, Jackie Kelly, Mr Kerr, Mr McArthur, Mr Turnbull, Dr Washer, Mr Wood.

FAMILY AND HUMAN SERVICES: Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Cadman, Ms K. M. Ellis, Mrs Elson, Mr Fawcett, Ms George, Mrs Irwin, Mrs Markus, Mr Quick, Mr Ticehurst.

HEALTH AND AGEING: Mr Somlyay (*Chair*), Mr Cadman, Mrs Elliot, Mrs Elson, Mr Georganas, Ms Hall, Mr Johnson, Ms King, Mr Turnbull, Mr Vasta.

HOUSE: The Speaker, Mr Baldwin, Mr Broadbent, Ms Hall, Mr Price, Mr Sawford, Mr Somlyay.

INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES: Mr Adams, Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Cadman, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr Haase, Mr Hatton, Mr Katter, Jackie Kelly, Mr Prosser, Mr Tollner.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS: Mr Slipper (*Chair*), Mr Forrest, Mr Kerr, Mr Melham, Mr Murphy, Ms Panopoulos, Ms Roxon, Mr Secker, Mr Tollner, Mr Turnbull.

LIBRARY: The Speaker, Mr Adams, Mr Broadbent, Mr Georgiou, Mr Hatton, Mrs Hull, Mr B. P. O'Connor.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS: Mr Baldwin, Mr Byrne, Mr Ciobo, Mr Jenkins, Mr Neville, Mr Quick, Mr C. P. Thompson.

PRIVILEGES: Mr Baldwin, Ms A. E. Burke, Mrs Draper, Mrs Gash, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Melham, Mr McMullan, Mr Price, Mr C. P. Thompson.

PROCEDURE: Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mrs Draper, Ms Hoare, Mrs May, Mr Melham, Mr Neville, Mr Price.

PUBLICATIONS: Mr Adams, Mr Baker, Mr Baldwin, Ms Corcoran, Mrs Draper, Mrs Hull, Mr Price.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION: Mr Byrne, Mr Georgiou, Mr Jenkins, Dr Jensen, Jackie Kelly, Mr Price, Mr Quick, Mr Tollner, Mrs D. S. Vale, Dr Washer.

SELECTION: Mr Causley (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Bartlett, Mr Danby, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Ms Hall, Mr McArthur, Mr Neville, Mr Price, Mr Wilkie.

TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES: Ms Bird, Mr Gibbons, Mr Haase, Ms Hall, Dr Jensen, Mr McArthur, Mr Neville, Mr Richardson, Mr Ripoll, Mr Schultz.

Joint Statutory

ASIO, ASIS AND DSD: Mr Beazley, Mr Kerr, Senator Ferguson, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Ray (*Members to be appointed*).

AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION: Mr Byrne, Mrs Gash, Mr Kerr, Mr Richardson, Mr Wood, Senator Denman, Senator Ferris, Senator Greig, Senator Hutchins, Senator McGauran.

BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS: The Speaker, The President, Mr Baldwin, Mr Bartlett, Mr Lindsay, Mr McMullan, Ms Vamvakinou, Senator the Hon. Faulkner, Senator Ferris.

CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES: Senator Chapman (*Chair*), Mr Bartlett, Mr Bowen, Ms A. E. Burke, Jackie Kelly, Mr McArthur, Senator Brandis, Senator Lundy, Senator Murray, Senator Wong.

Current inquiry:

Accounting Standards tabled in compliance with the *Corporations Act 2001*.

NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND: Mr McMullan, Mr Randall, Mr Slipper, Mr Tollner, Ms Vamvakinou, Senator Carr, Senator Crossin, Senator Johnston, Senator Scullion (*Senator to be appointed*).

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT: Mr Baldwin, Mr Broadbent, Ms A. E. Burke, Ms Grierson, Jackie Kelly, Ms King, Dr Laming, Mr Somlyay, Mr Tanner, Mr Ticehurst, Senator Hogg, Senator Humphries, Senator Moore, Senator Murray, Senator Scullion, Senator Watson.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mr Forrest, Mr Jenkins, Mrs Moylan, Mr B. P. O'Connor, Mr Ripoll, Mr Wakelin, Senator Ferguson, Senator Forshaw, Senator the Hon. Judith Troeth.

Joint Standing

ELECTORAL MATTERS: Mr Ciobo, Mr Danby, Mr Melham, Ms Panopoulos, Mr A. D. H. Smith, Senator Brandis, Senator Carr, Senator Forshaw, Senator Mason, Senator Murray (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

Current inquiry:

Disclosure of donations to political parties and candidates.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE: Senator Ferguson (*Chair*), Mr Baird, Mr Baldwin, Mr Barresi, Mr Beazley, Mr Danby, Mrs Draper, Mr Edwards, Mrs Gash, Mr Gibbons, Mr Haase, Mr Jull, Mrs Moylan, Mr Prosser, Mr Scott, Mr Sercombe, Mr Snowdon, Mr Turnbull, Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Wakelin, Mr Wilkie, Senator the Hon. Bolkus, Senator Crossin, Senator Eggleston, Senator Harradine, Senator Hutchins, Senator Johnston, Senator Kirk, Senator Lundy, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Payne, Senator Stott Despoja (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

MIGRATION: Mr L. Ferguson, Mrs Irwin, Mr Keenan, Dr Lawrence, Mr Randall, Dr Southcott, Senator Bartlett, Senator Eggleston, Senator Kirk, Senator Tchen (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES: Ms A. L. Ellis, Mr Neville, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Secker, Mr Snowdon, Senator Crossin, Senator Lightfoot, Senator Lundy, Senator Scullion, Senator Stott Despoja (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

TREATIES: Mr Adams, Mr Johnson, Mrs May, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Ripoll, Mr Scott, Dr Southcott, Mr Turnbull, Mr Wilkie, Senator Bartlett, Senator Collins, Senator Mackay, Senator Mason, Senator Santoro, Senator Stephens, Senator Tchen (*Formed 18 November 2004*).

APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY BODIES

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES: Mr Somlyay (*appointed 15 May 2002, for a period of 3 years*).

COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA: Mr M. J. Ferguson (*elected 21 August 2002, for a period of 3 years*).

PARLIAMENTARY RETIRING ALLOWANCES TRUST: Mr Bartlett (*appointed 11 August 2004*), Mr Price (*appointed 1 December 2004*).