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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE PAPER

No. 43

THURSDAY, 23 JUNE 2005

*The House meets at 9 a.m.***GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Notices**

- *1 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That standing orders 31 (automatic adjournment of the House) and 33 (limit on business after 9.30 pm) be suspended for the sitting on Thursday, 23 June 2005.
- *2 **MR ABBOTT:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Health Insurance Act 1973*, and for related purposes. (*Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Safety-nets) Bill 2005*)
- *3 **MR ABBOTT:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Health Insurance Act 1973*, and for related purposes. (*Health Insurance Amendment (Medical Specialists) Bill 2005*)
- *4 **DR NELSON:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend higher education legislation, and for related purposes. (*Higher Education Legislation Amendment (2005 Budget Measures) Bill 2005*)
- *5 **DR NELSON:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Higher Education Support Act 2003* in relation to workplace relations, and for related purposes. (*Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Workplace Relations Requirements) Bill 2005*)
- *6 **MR MCGAURAN:** To present a Bill for an Act to provide for the protection of submarine cables, and for other purposes. (*Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Protection of Submarine Cables and Other Measures) Bill 2005*)
- *7 **MR MCGAURAN:** To present a Bill for an Act to provide for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations, and for related purposes. (*Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Bill 2005*)
- *8 **MR ANDREWS:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act 1991*, and for related purposes. (*Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Amendment Bill 2005*)
- *9 **MR ENTSCH:** To present a Bill for an Act about offshore petroleum, and for other purposes. (*Offshore Petroleum Bill 2005*)
- *10 **MR ENTSCH:** To present a Bill for an Act to provide for the payment of annual fees for certain permits, leases and licences under the *Offshore Petroleum Act 2005*, and for related purposes. (*Offshore Petroleum (Annual Fees) Bill 2005*)
- *11 **MR ENTSCH:** To present a Bill for an Act to impose a royalty on petroleum recovered from the North West Shelf, and for related purposes. (*Offshore Petroleum (Royalty) Bill 2005*)
- *12 **MR ENTSCH:** To present a Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters arising from the repeal of the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967* and the enactment of the *Offshore Petroleum Act 2005*, and for other purposes. (*Offshore Petroleum (Repeals and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2005*)
- *13 **DR STONE:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to superannuation, and for other purposes. (*Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Superannuation Safety and Other Measures) Bill 2005*)
- *14 **DR STONE:** To move—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing

* 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.

Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Reserve Bank of Australia business resumption site at Baulkham Hills in Sydney, NSW.

- *15 **DR STONE:** To move—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Maribyrnong Immigration detention Centre (MIDC)—Additional accommodation and related works.
- *16 **DR STONE:** To move—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: New offices for the Australian Consulate-General in Bali, Indonesia.
- *17 **DR STONE:** To move—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Mid-life upgrade of existing chancery building for the Australian High Commission, Singapore.
- *18 **DR STONE:** To move—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of a new chancery building for the Australian Embassy in Vientiane, Laos.
- *19 **DR STONE:** To move—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Refurbishment of Australia House in London, United Kingdom.
- *20 **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: Relocation of selected RAAF College units to RAAF Base East Sale, Vic, and RAAF Base Wagga Wagga, NSW.
- *21 **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: RAAF Base Amberley redevelopment stage 2, Qld.
- *22 **MR HOCKEY:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend legislation relating to the delivery of Commonwealth services, and for related purposes. (*Human Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2005*)

Orders of the day

- 1 **FISHERIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2005** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 20 June 2005*).
- 2 **AUSTRALIAN TECHNICAL COLLEGES (FLEXIBILITY IN ACHIEVING AUSTRALIA'S SKILLS NEEDS) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Vocational and Technical Education*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 20 June 2005—Mr Neville*) on the motion of Mr Hardgrave—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Ms Macklin, viz.—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the bill a second reading, the House condemns the Government for:*
 - (1) creating a skills crisis through its continued failure to provide the necessary opportunities during their nine long years in office for Australians to get the training they need to get a decent job and meet the skills needs of the economy;
 - (2) failing to train enough Australians in areas of skill shortage and relying on skilled migration;
 - (3) exacerbating this crisis by failing to introduce Budget measures to train more Australians now, including Labor's Trade Completion Bonus for traditional apprentices;
 - (4) making Australian business wait until 2010 for the Technical Colleges to produce their first qualified tradesperson;
 - (5) failing to double the number of school-based traditional apprentices and provide extra funding to support schools in taking up the places;
 - (6) failing to further invest in our world-class school and TAFE systems to create opportunities for young Australians to access high quality vocational education and training at all schools, not just 24 Australian Technical Colleges;

- (7) its uncooperative and hostile attitude towards the States and Territories in establishing these Colleges, despite the central role the States and Territories will play in any successful operation;
- (8) failing to provide new support to other regions that also have high youth unemployment, an industry base and skill shortages, but are not listed for a Technical College; and
- (9) inappropriately using vocational education and training as a vehicle through which to drive their ideological industrial relations agenda which bears no relation to successful student outcomes”.
- 3 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 8 December 2004—Mr K. J. Thomson*).
- 4 **HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (ABOLITION OF COMPULSORY UP-FRONT STUDENT UNION FEES) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Education, Science and Training*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 12 May 2005—Mr Keenan*).
- 5 **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT) AMENDMENT (PROMOTING SAFER WORKPLACES) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 2005—Mr McClelland*).
- 6 **LAW AND JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (SERIOUS DRUG OFFENCES AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2005** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 26 May 2005—Mr G. M. O'Connor*).
- 7 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (NATIONAL ACCESS REGIME) BILL 2005** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 June 2005—Mr Edwards*).
- 8 **MEDICAL INDEMNITY (COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE PAYMENT) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 16 June 2005—Mr G. M. O'Connor*).
- 9 **MEDICAL INDEMNITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (COMPETITIVE NEUTRALITY) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Health and Ageing*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 16 June 2005—Mr G. M. O'Connor*).
- 10 **CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2005** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 2 June 2005—Mr Edwards*).
- 11 **COPYRIGHT AMENDMENT (FILM DIRECTORS' RIGHTS) BILL 2005** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 March 2005—Ms George*).

Notices—continued

- 23 **MR ABBOTT**: To move—That standing order 47 be suspended for the remainder of this period of sittings, except when a motion is moved pursuant to the standing order by a Minister.

Orders of the day—continued

- 12 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (BETTER BARGAINING) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 2005—Mr McClelland*).
- 13 **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT BILL 2005** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 2005—Mr McClelland*).
- 14 **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL AND TRANSITIONAL) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 2005—Mr McClelland*).
- 15 **POSTAL INDUSTRY OMBUDSMAN BILL 2005** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 9 March 2005*).
- 16 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (FAIR DISMISSAL REFORM) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 14 February 2005—Ms Bird, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Andrews—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr S. F. Smith, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House:
- (1) confirms that the protection from being unfairly dismissed is a fundamental issue for Australian workers and their families irrespective of the size of the business in which they are employed; and
- (2) calls on the Government to work with small business, employees and peak bodies to make unfair dismissal laws more effective by addressing procedural complexities and costs”.

- 17 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (PERSONAL INJURIES AND DEATH) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- 18 **CHILD SUPPORT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary—Children and Youth Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 8 December 2004—Mr A. S. Burke*).
- 19 **HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY PRIVATE) BILL 2005** (*Minister for Education, Science and Training*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 16 March 2005—Mr G. M. O'Connor*).
- 20 **TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (PERSONAL INCOME TAX REDUCTION) BILL 2005**: Consideration of Senate's message No 153. (*from 20 June 2005*).
- 21 **BORDER PROTECTION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (DETERRENCE OF ILLEGAL FOREIGN FISHING) BILL 2005**: Consideration of Senate's amendments. (*from 20 June 2005*).
- 22 **PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**: Consideration of Senate's message No. 4. (*from 29 November 2004*).
- 23 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING—PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE—REPORT ON PREMIUM INCREASES NOTIFIED TO THE DEPARTMENT IN THE QUARTER ENDING 31 MARCH 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 24 **AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY AGENCY—QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2005 TO 31 MARCH 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 25 **NATIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL—REPORT FOR 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 21 June 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 26 **QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT—1 OCTOBER 2004 TO 31 DECEMBER 2004—DOCUMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 16 June 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 27 **ASBESTOS-RELATED CLAIMS (MANAGEMENT OF COMMONWEALTH LIABILITIES) BILL 2005—CORRECTION TO EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 16 June 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 28 **GENE TECHNOLOGY REGULATOR—QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 OCTOBER TO 31 DECEMBER 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 14 June 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 29 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 26 May 2005—Mr Andrews*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 30 **AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY AGENCY—QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE PERIOD 1 OCTOBER TO 31 DECEMBER 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 11 May 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 31 **REVIEW OF THE NATIONAL COMPETITION POLICY REFORMS—INQUIRY REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 10 May 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 32 **FOREIGN INVESTMENT REVIEW BOARD—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—CORRIGENDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 10 May 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 33 **TOBACCO ADVERTISING PROHIBITION ACT 1992—REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 16 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 34 **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—MID-YEAR ECONOMIC AND FISCAL OUTLOOK 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 15 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.

- 35 **DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS—2004 ACCESS AND EQUITY ANNUAL REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 36 **AUSTRALIAN TECHNOLOGY GROUP LIMITED—2004 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 37 **SINGAPORE-AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 38 **AUSTRALIA'S AID: AN INTEGRATED APPROACH—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 March 2005—Mr Downer*) on the motion of Mr Downer—That the House take note of the document.
- 39 **MIGRATION AGENTS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 40 **INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS—VIEWS—COMMUNICATION NO. 1011/2001—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 41 **CORRIGENDA TO INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD REPORT FOR 2003-2004—DOCUMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 42 **POOLED DEVELOPMENT FUNDS REGISTRATION BOARD—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 March 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 43 **AIR PASSENGER TICKET LEVY COLLECTION ACT—REPORT FOR 1 APRIL 2003 TO 31 MARCH 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 February 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 44 **ROADS TO RECOVERY PROGRAM—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 February 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 45 **STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—REPORT: MOVING ON INTELLIGENT TRANSPORT SYSTEMS—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 February 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 46 **CIVIL AVIATION SAFETY AUTHORITY—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 February 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Pearce—That the House take note of the document.
- 47 **FOREIGN INVESTMENT REVIEW BOARD—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 February 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Pearce—That the House take note of the document.
- 48 **INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 February 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Pearce—That the House take note of the document.
- 49 **NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 February 2005—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Pearce—That the House take note of the document.
- 50 **REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE CENTENARY HOUSE LEASE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2004—Mr Pyne*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 51 **AUSTRALIAN RAIL TRACK CORPORATION—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.

- 52 **AUSTRALIAN RAIL TRACK CORPORATION—STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT 2004-2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 53 **AUSTRALIA-JAPAN FOUNDATION—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 54 **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the document.
- 55 **ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1982—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 56 **QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT—1 JULY 2004 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2004—DOCUMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 57 **NATIONAL TRANSPORT COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 December 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 58 **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.
- 59 **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.
- 60 **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.
- 61 **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.
- 62 **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.
- 63 **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.
- 64 **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.
- 65 **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.
- 66 **TARIFF PROPOSALS (Mr Hunt):**
 Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2004)—*moved 1 December 2004*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Edwards*).
 Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2005)—*moved 16 February 2005*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Bevis*).
 Customs Tariff Proposal No. 2 (2005)—*moved 10 May 2005*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Sercombe*).
- 67 **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.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

Orders of the day

- 1 **AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO UKRAINE AND BULGARIA, 28 JUNE TO 9 JULY 2004 —REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 6 December 2004*) on the motion of Mr Kerr—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 2 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 63: TREATIES TABLED ON 7 DECEMBER 2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 February 2005*) on the motion of Dr Southcott—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 3 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—EXPANDING AUSTRALIA'S TRADE AND INVESTMENT RELATIONS WITH THE GULF STATES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 4 **ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE LISTING OF SIX TERRORIST ORGANISATIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr McArthur—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 5 **PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—THE ANTICIPATION RULE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2005*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 6 **ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATION AND EXPENDITURE FOR ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr McArthur—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 7 **ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE LISTING OF TANZIM QA'IDAT AL-JIHAD FI BILAD AL-RAFIDAYN (THE AL-ZARQAWI NETWORK) AS A TERRORIST ORGANISATION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 May 2005*) on the motion of Mr McArthur—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 8 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 65: TREATIES TABLED ON 7 DECEMBER 2004 AND 8 FEBRUARY 2005—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 June 2005*) on the motion of Dr Southcott—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 9 **NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND ACCOUNT—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE NATIONAL NATIVE TITLE TRIBUNAL, THE INDIGENOUS LAND COUNCIL AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND ACCOUNT 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 June 2005*) on the motion of Mr McMullan—That the

House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notice given for Thursday, 23 June 2005

*1 **MRS IRWIN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU):
 - (a) is the focal point for global parliamentary dialogue and, as the primary vehicle for strengthening parliaments world-wide, works globally for the establishment of representative democracy, providing an unparalleled parliamentary dimension to international cooperation;
 - (b) at its Assemblies, initiates debates on issues of international interest and concern in order to raise awareness and action by parliaments and parliamentarians;
 - (c) defends and promotes human rights, particularly through the Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians;
 - (d) stresses the representation of both genders within the ranks of parliamentarians, facilitating the participation of women parliamentarians in its forums;
 - (e) encourages good governance and democratic capacity building through its programs and work with regional inter-parliamentary organisations, international inter-governmental and non-government organisations; and
 - (f) supports the efforts of the United Nations (at which it has observer status), works in close co-operation with the UN and is seeking a closer strategic partnership with the UN so as to promote more substantive interaction and coordination between the IPU and the UN;
- (2) welcomes recent reforms of the IPU that were strongly supported by Australian delegations, and which have resulted in improved reporting mechanisms, including detailed and comprehensive financial statements; and
- (3) commends past and present Australian delegations for their contribution to the IPU, as reflected in the leading role taken in the work of standing committees, drafting committees, geopolitical groups and the meeting of women parliamentarians. (*Notice given 22 June 2005.*)

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 5 September 2005.*)
- 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 5 September 2005.*)
- 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 the next sitting Monday after 5 September 2005.*)
- 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 the next sitting Monday after 5 September 2005.*)

5 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 the next sitting Monday after 5 September 2005.*)

6 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 the next sitting Monday after 5 September 2005.*)
- 7 **MR ALBANESE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the serious impact that the noise generated by aircraft landing at Sydney Kingsford-Smith Airport has on all residents of surrounding suburbs and all users of facilities in the area;
 - (2) notes, in particular, the disruptive impact of aircraft noise on students and teachers at schools in the area;
 - (3) acknowledges the justified expenditure on the Noise Amelioration Program in respect of schools located within the limits presently set for assistance;
 - (4) recognises that Sydney's great Fort Street High School is located some 200 metres from the edge of the limit but that the impact of aircraft noise does not suddenly cease in accordance with contour lines on a map; and
 - (5) calls on the Minister for Transport and Regional Services to direct that assistance be provided for a noise insulation program at Fort Street High School. (*Notice given 15 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 8 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by amending standing order 80 to read as follows:
- 80 Closure of Member**
- A motion may be made that a Member who is speaking, except a Member giving a notice of motion or formally moving the terms of a motion allowed under the standing orders or speaking to a motion of dissent (from any ruling of the Speaker under standing order 100), "be no longer heard", and such question shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate. (*Notice given 16 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 9 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by inserting the following standing order after standing order 99:
- 99A Questions to committee chairs**
- A Question may be put to a Member in his or her capacity as Chair of a committee of the House, or of a joint committee, in connection with the work or duties of the committee in question. (*Notice given 16 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 10 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the following amendment to the Standing Orders be adopted for the remainder of this session:
- 102B Lodging questions in writing on behalf of constituents**
- (a) A Member may lodge a question in writing in terms proposed by a person who lives in the Member's electoral division.
 - (b) A question in writing given under this standing order may show the name of the person who has proposed the question.
 - (c) A Member may not lodge more than 25 questions in writing under this sessional order in a calendar year.
 - (d) Nothing in this standing order may be taken to mean that a Member must give notice of a question proposed to the Member by a person who lives in the Member's electoral division. (*Notice given 16 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 11 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 104 be omitted and the following standing orders be adopted:
- 104A Answers**
- The answer to a question asked orally shall be relevant and:
- (a) shall be concise and confined to the subject matter of the question: the asking of each question must not exceed four minutes;
 - (b) the asking of each supplementary question must not exceed one minute;
 - (c) the time taken to make and determine points of order is not to be regarded as part of the time for questions and answers;

- (d) shall relate to public affairs with which the Minister is officially connected, to proceedings in the House, or to any other matter of administration for which the Minister is responsible; and
- (e) shall not debate the subject to which the question refers.

104B The standing orders that apply to the asking of a question orally shall generally apply to the answer. (*Notice given 16 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

- 12 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 105 be amended and the following be inserted:

105C Replies to written questions

An answer to a question in writing shall be relevant to the question and shall be provided to the Member who asked the question within 30 days. (*Notice given 16 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

- 13 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 209 be amended and the following be included:

- (d) At the time provided for the presentation of petitions, the following arrangements shall apply to the presentation of petitions certified to be in conformity with the standing orders:
 - (i) in respect of each petition, the petitioner, or one of the petitioners, may present the petition to the House by standing at the Bar of the House and reading to the House the prayer of the petition, and
 - (ii) where a petitioner is not able to present the petition in accordance with standing order 209(d)(i), the Member who has lodged the petition may present it to the House by reading to the House the prayer of the petition. (*Notice given 16 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

- 14 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 221 be replaced with the following:

221 Modernisation and Procedure Committee

- (a) A Standing Committee on Modernisation and Procedure of the House of Representatives shall be appointed to inquire into and report on practices and procedures of the House generally with a view to making recommendations for their improvement or change and for the development of new procedures.
- (b) The committee shall consist of the Speaker or his or her appointed Deputy Speaker, The Leader of the House or his or her appointed Deputy, the Manager of Opposition Business or his or her appointed Deputy and eight Members, four government Members and four non-government Members.
- (c) The Secretary of the Committee will be the Clerk or Deputy Clerk. (*Notice given 16 February 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

- 15 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) congratulates the Rotary Club of Mt. Druitt on the occasion of Rotary's 100th anniversary;
- (2) congratulates Mt Druitt, Blacktown and Prospect Rotary on the occasion of their successful combined anniversary dinner at Bowman Hall, Blacktown and Master of Ceremonies Fr Patrick Colbourne;
- (3) notes that the Rotary Club of Mt. Druitt has been committed to serving the local community since it was established on 24 September 1969;
- (4) values the contribution that the Rotary Club of Mt. Druitt has made to the local community through its extensive charity and fundraising work; and
- (5) congratulates the president of the Rotary Club of Mt Druitt, Mr Bob White, his committee and members for their leadership in our community. (*Notice given 7 March 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

- 16 **MR ANDREN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the current situation in Australia and elsewhere of commercial enterprises using legal action to silence protesters;
- (2) notes that in the United States these suits are known as 'Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation' or 'SLAPP' suits;
- (3) notes that in many cases SLAPP suits have no real legal foundation, but their aim is to intimidate individual protesters into silence by the prospect of costly and time-consuming legal action;
- (4) notes that common law action against protesters may take several different forms, including the torts of nuisance, unlawful interference in business, conspiracy to damage commercial interests and defamation, and that such torts are largely areas of State jurisdiction;

- (5) notes that SLAPP suits could be discouraged if State Governments legislated to allow for the summary dismissal of unsoundly based SLAPP suits;
 - (6) notes that the insertion of an express right of freedom of speech in the Constitution, to impress upon courts that common law torts should be interpreted so as to ensure the protection of freedom of speech would also discourage unsound SLAPP suits;
 - (7) calls on State Governments, through the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General, to establish preliminary procedures which would allow unsoundly based SLAPP suits to be dismissed by a court at an early stage in proceedings;
 - (8) encourages the Attorney-General to place this matter on the agenda of the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General; and
 - (9) supports a referendum to amend the Constitution to include express recognition of the right of freedom of speech. (*Notice given 7 March 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 17 **MR ALBANESE:** To move—That:
- (1) this House recognises:
 - (a) the significant contribution Clean Up Australia has made to the Australian environment and community over the last 15 years;
 - (b) the 6 million Australians who have volunteered their time since 1989 to help Clean Up Australia make a difference to their local environment;
 - (c) that over the past 15 years Clean Up Australia volunteers have collected more than 196,000 tonnes of rubbish;
 - (d) that on Sunday 6 March 2005 more than 700,000 Australians volunteered to help clean up Australia; and
 - (e) that over 35 million volunteers from 114 countries participated in Clean Up the World in September 2004, making it the world's largest community based environmental event; and
 - (2) Parliament congratulates Ian Kiernan for his outstanding leadership of Clean Up Australia and, more recently, Clean Up the World. (*Notice given 7 March 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 18 **MS HALL:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the vital importance of the Aeropelican air service which operates out of Belmont in Lake Macquarie between Belmont and Sydney and is appalled at the owner's decision to cease operation out of Belmont;
 - (2) notes that there is no other commercial air service operating out of either Lake Macquarie or the Central Coast of New South Wales;
 - (3) recognises that Aeropelican is vital regional infrastructure which provides essential public transport;
 - (4) notes that air travel from Williamtown is not a viable option for people living in Lake Macquarie and on the Central Coast of New South Wales when they travel to Sydney, and that the closure of Aeropelican will increase the traffic on the F3 Freeway between Lake Macquarie and Sydney; and
 - (5) notes the transfer of Aeropelican's air service to Williamtown will result in staff losing their jobs. (*Notice given 10 March 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 19 **MRS ELLIOT:** To move—That this House:
- (1) congratulates the members of the local Volunteer Coast Guard Associations on the service they provide to the community;
 - (2) notes that the Association has been served by dedicated volunteers who have selflessly serviced the community in the Federal electorate of Richmond;
 - (3) expresses the appreciation of the countless recreational boat users whose lives have been saved as a result of this service;
 - (4) values the contribution they have made to North Coast tourism by their contribution to safer boating; and
 - (5) expresses the deep appreciation of the constituents of Richmond for their work past, present and future. (*Notice given 14 March 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

20 **MRS ELLIOT:** To move—That this House:

- (1) values the contribution of serving men and women of the Australian Defence Forces, past and present;
- (2) appreciates the sacrifices of their friends and family and in particular all those who have suffered as a result of their service;
- (3) notes that the TPI veterans pensions are not fully indexed to Male Average Weekly Earnings;
- (4) supports the TPI Association's call for an improvement in TPI pensions; and
- (5) calls on the Howard Government to provide fewer words and more action on this issue. (*Notice given 14 March 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

21 **MS VAMVAKINOU:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review conference commencing on 1 May 2005 in New York and the vital importance of the NPT as an instrument of both nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation;
- (2) expresses its deep concern over the:
 - (a) proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and
 - (b) danger to humanity posed by the possible use of nuclear weapons;
- (3) acknowledges the significant steps taken towards nuclear disarmament since the previous NPT Review conference including the signing of the Strategic Offensive Reductions Treaty between Russia and the United States of America in 2002 and calls for the full implementation of all relevant articles of the treaty including Articles I and II on non-proliferation and Article VI on the achievement of general and complete disarmament;
- (4) affirms the vital importance of the unequivocal undertaking made at the 2002 NPT Review conference by the nuclear weapons states, to accomplish the elimination of nuclear weapons arsenals, and of the 13 steps agreed to at that meeting;
- (5) urges the Government to:
 - (a) pursue a balanced and integrated approach on both disarmament and non-proliferation at the NPT Review Conference,
 - (b) call on the nuclear weapons states and nuclear capable states not to develop new types of nuclear weapons, in accordance with the commitment to diminish the role of nuclear weapons in security policies, and
 - (c) call for concrete agreed steps by nuclear weapons states and nuclear capable states to lower the operating status of nuclear weapons systems in their possession, as called for by Australia's L23 Path to a Nuclear Free World;
- (6) welcomes the appeal, signed by 30 Nobel prize-winners, calling on the governments of the United States of America, Russia, China, France, the United Kingdom, India, Pakistan, Israel and North Korea, to support and implement steps to lower the operational status of their nuclear weapon systems in order to reduce the risk of nuclear catastrophe;
- (7) notes and strongly affirms continued efforts by the Government to secure universal adherence to, and ratification of, the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) and urges the Government to press for the early entry into force of the CTBT; and
- (8) requests that this resolution be conveyed to the foreign ministries and United Nations (UN) missions of all participants in the NPT Review conference, the UN Secretary-General, the Director-General of the International Atomic Energy Agency and the Chair of the 2005 NPT Review conference, as well as the governments of India, Pakistan and Israel. (*Notice given 17 March 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

22 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises the devastating impact of the Boxing Day earthquakes and tsunamis;
- (2) thanks the Australian public for its generous response to the tragedy;
- (3) notes that 16 January 2005 was observed as a National Day of Mourning and Remembrance for victims of the tsunami;
- (4) proposes that from next year onwards, 16 January should be marked as a National Day for Giving to Humanity: a day for us to remember the victims of all disasters, natural and man-made, and a

reminder of the benevolence that Australians are capable of towards our fellow man irrespective of race, colour or religion. (*Notice given 10 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

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

- (1) notes:
 - (a) the important role played by the National Library of Australia in building a collection of digital publications so that all Australians can freely and easily access information online now and in the future—in effect, an Australian national digital library;
 - (b) that the National Library of Australia is collecting, preserving and providing public access to a selection of Australian publications that exist only on the Internet in digital form;
 - (c) that the National Library of Australia is creating digital images of items in its Australian collection so that Australians outside Canberra can have access to Australia's documentary heritage over the Internet;
 - (d) that the National Library of Australia is collaborating with the Australian library sector in an attempt to provide all Australians with access to journals in digital form that are purchased from major Australian and overseas publishers; and
 - (e) the launch in December 2004 by the National Library of Australia of a major new service, Libraries Australia, which provides information about, and access to, 13 million resources held in Australia's libraries; and
- (2) calls on the Government to support Australia's National Digital Library by:
 - (a) considering the need for funding a national digital library (the governments of New Zealand and the United States have done this); and
 - (b) recognising the need for a whole-of-government approach to ensure that Commonwealth Government publications in digital form are reported to the National Library of Australia and permission is accorded to the National Library by government agencies for the collecting, provision of public access to and preservation of these publications. (*Notice given 10 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

24 **MR B. P. O'CONNOR:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes:
 - (a) that in the last census, there were an estimated 100,000 homeless people in Australia; and
 - (b) the high social costs of homelessness; and
- (2) recognises that:
 - (a) the reasons behind homelessness are complex and varied but that governments do have a role to play in ameliorating homelessness; and
 - (b) the joint Commonwealth/State funded Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) is an example of a vital service provided to the homeless and to those at risk of homelessness; and
- (3) calls on the Federal Government to:
 - (a) promote awareness of the issue of homelessness among the public;
 - (b) develop strategies aimed at preventing homelessness;
 - (c) work co-operatively with other levels of government to reduce homelessness;
 - (d) increase funding for crisis accommodation and support; and
 - (e) set realistic targets for the reduction of homelessness. (*Notice given 10 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

25 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To move—That this house:

- (1) notes that there has been an increased global trend for companies to relocate various parts of their operations to locations outside of the country where the service is being delivered - a practice often referred to as off-shoring;
- (2) notes that the practice of off-shoring has seen jobs and skills lost from the IT and finance sector in Australia and that Deloitte Research predicts that 15% of all financial sector jobs will be moved off-shore by 2008;

- (3) recognises that participating in the global economy may deliver lower costs for local consumers and companies, however it must be done in a transparent and equitable manner; and
- (4) calls on the Government to act now, before the flood of jobs offshore sees Australia losing out, by:
 - (a) ensuring privacy protection for consumers;
 - (b) providing consumers with a “right to know” so that service providers disclose the country of origin which provides their services, equivalent to country of origin product labelling;
 - (c) developing a national skills base that is suited to the changing needs of the economy;
 - (d) providing assistance in reskilling displaced workers; and
 - (e) ensuring employees of the country where the jobs are relocated are also protected by ILO Labour Standards. (*Notice given 12 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

26 MS KING: To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that:
 - (a) symphysis pubis dysfunction (SPD) or pelvic instability in pregnant women can affect 1 in 36 pregnant women; and
 - (b) the condition can be debilitating with symptoms ranging from pain in the front and back of the pelvis, to difficulty walking, bending or straddling and an inability to carry out many daily activities;
- (2) congratulates the newly formed Pelvic Instability Association for its work to raise awareness of this condition; and
- (3) urges the Government to:
 - (a) further promote awareness of pelvic instability in pregnant women;
 - (b) fund Australian-based research into its incidence and guidelines for treatment and rehabilitation; and
 - (c) provide assistance to the Pelvic Instability Association in supporting women with this condition. (*Notice given 12 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

27 MRS IRWIN: To move—That this House:

- (1) supports the decisions of the Government to allow the great majority of East Timorese refugees to remain in Australia;
- (2) notes that more than 50 East Timorese including families with school aged children who have been in Australia for an average of 10 years have not had applications for protection visas approved;
- (3) notes that the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs has indicated her intention to reconsider the cases of East Timorese refugees previously refused protection visas; and
- (4) calls on the Minister to compassionately reconsider the applications of the remaining East Timorese refugees in Australia. (*Notice given 23 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

28 MR GARRETT: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (i) 26 May 2005 was National Day of Healing, and that this date commemorates the anniversary of the handing down of the *Bringing Them Home* report on 26 May 1997;
 - (ii) National Day of Healing offers an opportunity for all Australians to acknowledge and help heal the wounds of the many Indigenous people and their families who suffered as a result of the forced removal policies of successive Australian Governments between 1910 and the 1970s; and
 - (iii) National Day of Healing recognises that the journey of healing for the stolen generations depends on and contributes to healing within the wider Indigenous community and between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians; and
- (2) congratulates those who held events across the country aimed at enlisting the Australian community in this healing process;
- (3) recognises that a crucial aspect of healing is improving Indigenous health and that Australia could experience the dramatic improvements in Indigenous health which Canada, New Zealand and the United States have experienced in recent decades;

- (4) acknowledges the extra \$42.5 million per year over four years allocated by the Government for Indigenous health in the recent budget while noting that this is less than 10% of the \$450 million per year which the AMA and Access Economics estimate is needed to overcome the Indigenous health tragedy;
- (5) recognises that Australia's Indigenous people, from 1 July, will be the only Indigenous people in the Western world without a representative body and that many Indigenous people see this as a humiliation and an attempt to silence their voice;
- (6) acknowledges that, despite the efforts of many individuals, communities and community organisations, Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians remain far from reconciled; and
- (7) urges the Government to encourage the reconciliation process by:
 - (i) implementing the recommendations of the *Bringing Them Home* report;
 - (ii) establishing benchmarks for improvements in Indigenous health and providing funding adequate to meet these benchmarks; and
 - (iii) facilitating the development of a new Indigenous representative body. (*Notice given 23 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

29 **MRS MAY:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises:
 - (a) that poverty and hunger remain the most important challenges facing the international community;
 - (b) that there are 2.2 billion children in the world and over 1 billion of these children (out of a world population of 6.4 billion) are severely malnourished;
 - (c) that impoverished children often grow up to be impoverished parents who in turn bring up their own children in poverty and that in order to break the generational cycle of poverty, poverty reduction must start with children;
 - (d) the contribution the Australian Government agency AusAID makes to reducing poverty in developing countries and the real funding increase of over 11 percent that AusAID received in this year's Federal Budget over last year's Budget figure; and
 - (e) the work done by UNICEF on behalf of children of the world;
- (2) calls on the Australian Government to:
 - (a) continue on with its outstanding overseas aid program; and
 - (b) continue to focus on the essential building blocks for progress towards the Millennium Development Goals; and
- (3) on a bipartisan level, supports the work being done by UNICEF. (*Notice given 24 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

30 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To move—That this House, in marking the 60th anniversary of the Victory in the Pacific which ended the hostilities of World War II:

- (1) recognises the heroism of Australian seafarers in times of war;
- (2) acknowledges that during World War II, one in nine Australian merchant seafarers perished;
- (3) notes that in her address at the 2005 US National Maritime Day memorial service, the US Secretary of Labour, Elaine L. Chao, called on all Americans to honour the brave men and women who served the country in times of war and said "American merchant mariners have a rich history in this nation. They have served in every American war since the United States was born. With their tradition of courage, patriotism and perseverance, merchant mariners have proven that they stand by this great nation no matter what the challenge. And in so doing, they have served as an inspiration to every generation of Americans."; and
- (4) calls on the Australian Government to recognise the debt that all Australians owe to Australian merchant seafarers for the contribution they have made to the defence of this nation, particularly their role in the allied victory in World War II. (*Notice given 25 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

31 **MR BOWEN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that 5 July 2005 is the 60th anniversary of the death of John Curtin;
- (2) notes that Australia turned to John Curtin for leadership at the time of our greatest crisis in history and that he is widely regarded as the greatest Prime Minister Australia has had;
- (3) records that John Curtin warned that Australia needed to be better prepared for war and also determinedly argued that the first responsibility of Australian armed forces was the defence of Australia; and
- (4) calls on the Federal Government to mark the occasion of the 60th anniversary of Curtin's death with a decision to construct an appropriate Curtin memorial in Canberra. (*Notice given 30 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

32 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To move—That this House, in acknowledging the statement by Toni Morrison, winner of the 1993 Nobel Prize for Literature, that “access to knowledge is the superb, the supreme act of truly great civilisations” recognises:

- (1) that the public library is a profoundly important cultural, economic and sound institution;
- (2) that public libraries house a vast range of resources and contribute significantly to nurturing more resilient, active and confident communities;
- (3) that public libraries are well known, easily accessed and widely used; and
- (4) the responsibility of government to nurture the development of public libraries and to encourage libraries to forge stronger partnerships with community groups, government and business. (*Notice given 30 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

33 **MR BOWEN:** To move—That standing order 105 be omitted and the following standing order substituted:

105 Replies to written questions

A Minister's written reply to a question must be delivered to the Clerk. The Clerk shall provide a copy of the reply to the Member who asked the question, and the question and reply shall be published in *Hansard*.

If after the expiration of 60 days of a question appearing on the *Notice Paper*, a reply has not been delivered to the Clerk, the Speaker shall rise at the next sitting day after the expiry date and inform the House and the Minister shall immediately explain to the House the reason for the non-compliance.

If the Minister, after explanation in the House, has not submitted an answer within 3 sitting days the Speaker shall again inform the House and the Minister shall again be called to explain with such procedure continuing until a written answer is lodged with the Clerk. (*Notice given 31 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

34 **MR TANNER:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that approximately 1,000 Australians under the age of 50 are living in nursing homes because they have a severe disability such as acquired brain injury;
- (2) recognises that in most cases such accommodation is not appropriate, and that greater choice is needed for these younger people;
- (3) acknowledges that as both federal and state governments are deeply involved in the aged care sector, both levels of government have a role to play in addressing this problem;
- (4) notes that the Aged Care Innovations Pool has provided a small start to addressing the problem; and
- (5) calls on federal and state governments to use the Council of Australian Governments process, and the current Senate Community Affairs Reference Committee Inquiry, as a basis for a combined effort to deal with this serious problem. (*Notice given 31 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

35 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the valuable role that oxygenated biofuels can play in fuelling Australian passenger and commercial motor vehicles given that they offer the following benefits when blended at approved levels with conventional fuels:
 - (a) reducing the significant deaths and injury caused by fine particulate matter pollution from vehicle exhaust in our major cities;
 - (b) cut greenhouse gas emissions from the transport sector which is a major source of Australian GHG output;

- (c) boost employment in rural and regional Australia where biofuels are grown and processed; and
 - (d) reduce our national dependence on imported petroleum products at a time when the trade deficit in this sector has reached record levels; and
- (2) acknowledges that, as in the United States and Europe, the public benefits of blending oxygenated biofuels with conventional fuels at approved levels are such that the use of such fuels should be mandated as part of the standard fuel mix in Australia. (*Notice given 31 May 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 36 **MS A. L. ELLIS:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises that building insurance is an essential service and must be regulated;
 - (2) supports and encourages:
 - (a) the principle for building insurance to be valued on either:
 - (i) agreed value (a value agreed between the insurer and the insured and not less than the market value for special inclusions); and
 - (ii) market value (the building cost based on figures from a quantity surveyor);
 - (b) settlement policies that reflect market or agreed value at the date a rebuild contract is signed and that takes into account the delay between the period of the incident and the time the rebuild commences;
 - (3) calls on the Government to expand the role of the Australian Valuation Office to set the market rates for building costs annually within regions for which insurance companies should base premiums and values and remove the CPI as an index;
 - (4) calls on the insurance industry to implement terminology that is standardized and simplified industry wide; and
 - (5) calls for Government and insurance industry funded prevention strategies, such as home fire risk reduction programs, in order to help keep insurance premiums low. (*Notice given 1 June 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 37 **MR EDWARDS:** To move—That this House on the 60th Anniversary of Victory in the Pacific notes the direct threat World War II posed to Australia; and
- (1) acknowledges that the valour, courage and war sacrifice of the men and women of the Australian Defence Forces was all that stood between Japanese forces and invasion of Australia;
 - (2) recognises the support Australia received from allied countries, in particular the USA, in the defence of Australia; and
 - (3) expresses its gratitude and heartfelt thanks to all who contributed to Australia’s war effort, to all who served and lost their lives and to all who suffered and sacrificed in the defence of this nation. (*Notice given 2 June 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 38 **MR ANDREN:** To move—That Clauses 10.4 to 10.13, ‘Communications Allowance’, of Determination 2005/09: Members of Parliament—Entitlements, made under *the Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*, be disallowed. (*Notice given 15 June 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005. The determination was tabled on 23 May 2005. A motion to disallow the determination must be agreed to within 15 sitting days after 23 May 2005.*)
- 39 **MR KATTER:** To present a Bill for an Act to amend the *Fuel Quality Standards Act 2000*. (*Fuel Quality Standards (Renewable Content of Motor Vehicle Fuel) Amendment Bill 2005*) (*Notice given 2 June 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 40 **MS A. E. BURKE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes that around one in six Australian women will be sexually assaulted in their lifetime;
 - (2) condemns the reported statement of Sheik Faiz Mohamad that a victim of rape has “no-one to blame but herself”;
 - (3) acknowledges the trauma and suffering of victims of sexual assault and rape;
 - (4) recognises the need for national leadership to combat these crimes; and
 - (5) urges the Government to:

- (a) develop a national strategy to combat sexual assault and rape;
- (b) increase funding and resources to (i) assist victims of sexual assault and rape and (ii) educate the community about these crimes;
- (c) make sexual assault education mandatory in Australian schools; and
- (d) nationalise sexual assault laws and create a central board to regularly review these laws. (*Notice given 21 June 2005. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

Orders of the day

- 1 **WORKING POOR:** Resumption of debate (*from 6 December 2004*) on the motion of Ms George—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 2 **DRIVER EDUCATION:** Resumption of debate (*from 6 December 2004—Mr Baker, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr A. D. H. Smith—That this House:
 - (1) notes the terrible, and mostly avoidable, 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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 3 **STATELESS VIETNAMESE PEOPLE:** Resumption of debate (*from 6 December 2004*) on the motion of Mrs Irwin—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

- 4 **AUTISM SUPPORT SERVICES:** Resumption of debate (*from 6 December 2004*) on the motion of Mr Randall—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 5 **GREAT BARRIER REEF MARINE PARK (PROTECTING THE GREAT BARRIER REEF FROM OIL DRILLING AND EXPLORATION) AMENDMENT BILL 2005** (*Mr Albanese*): Motion for second reading (*from 14 February 2005*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 6 **PARENTS RAISING DISABLED CHILDREN:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 February 2005*) on the motion of Mr Neville—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 7 **KYOTO PROTOCOL:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 February 2005—Mrs Elliot, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms George—That this House:
- (1) recognises that global warming is one of the greatest threats to the health of the planet, requiring international action to safeguard the environment for future generations;
 - (2) recognises that Australia is exposed to a range of negative social, economic and environmental impacts due to climate change;
 - (3) notes the Government's claim that Australia is on track to achieving its target of limiting greenhouse emissions;
 - (4) recognises the Kyoto Protocol provides Australia with future economic opportunities through carbon trading schemes and new markets for 'green' technologies; and
 - (5) urges the Government, on both environmental and economic grounds, to ratify the Kyoto Protocol which comes into force on 16 February 2005. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 8 **HUMAN RIGHTS IN DARFUR:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 February 2005*) on the motion of Mr Baird—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 Darfuris and the provision of assistance throughout the country. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

9 **HUMAN RIGHTS IN BURMA:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 February 2005*) on the motion of Mr Rudd—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

10 **MARITIME SALVAGE:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr M. J. Ferguson—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

11 **ADOPTION:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr M. D. Ferguson—That this House:

- (1) recognises that many Australian couples want to offer their home to orphaned children from overseas countries and notes that in 2003-04 there were 370 inter-country placement adoptions in Australia;
- (2) understands that whilst adoptive couples are passionate to secure an overseas adoption, in general the main motivation is to give a secure and loving home to child in need;
- (3) affirms that state governments and the Federal Government have a duty to ensure that adoptive children are placed in responsible and loving homes;
- (4) recognises the enormous financial costs and emotional strain placed on adoptive couples in the course of applying for overseas adoption, receiving a child into their home, and the associated overseas travel;
- (5) urges the Australian Government to examine ways that it can better support families with children who have been adopted, whether through local or overseas adoptions; and
- (6) calls on the state governments to immediately review the excessive financial charges imposed on adoptive parents with a view to dramatically reducing them. (*Order of the day will be removed from*

the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.)

- 12 **LANGUAGE:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2005*) on the motion of Ms Vamvakinou—That this House:
- (1) recognises that the English language is the most common and unifying language amongst Australians;
 - (2) recognises and supports immigrants and indigenous Australians who speak languages other than English and encourages them to retain these languages as they acquire English;
 - (3) recognises the profound and lasting benefits of second language learning for individuals and for the nation: intellectual development, cultural sensitivity, greater equality and enhancement in trade and diplomacy;
 - (4) recognises that despite successive government policies on the matter of language learning we have not really succeeded in reaping the maximum benefits of the multilingual resources of the Australian people;
 - (5) recognises that Australia should base its national policy on languages on the principles of ‘English Plus’ which can be expressed as the four ‘E’s: enrichment, economics, equality and external; and
 - (6) recognises that Australia needs to elevate the recognition of the importance of language as a skill and resource, both for individuals and as a nation in domestic and international domains. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 13 **AUSTRALIA-CHINA TRADE:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr Johnson—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 14 **ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr Lindsay—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. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 15 **TRAFFICKING FOR SEXUAL SERVITUDE:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2005*) on the motion of Mr Price—That this House expresses its concern about the international trafficking in women for sexual slavery and:
- (1) recognises that women trafficked to Australia for sexual servitude are victims not criminals and should be treated by authorities as victims;
 - (2) calls on the Government to adopt the recommendations of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australian Crime Commission’s report: *Australian Crime Commission’s response to trafficking in women for sexual servitude*;

- (3) urges the Government to increase the assistance available to victims of trafficking for sexual servitude;
 - (4) calls on the Government to change current visa provisions so as to give adequate protection to all victims of trafficking for sexual servitude;
 - (5) condemns the Government for placing victims of human trafficking for sexual servitude in detention;
 - (6) recognises that women who have been trafficked to Australia for sexual servitude who subsequently cooperate with police are in great danger, both in Australia and, in particular, their country of origin; and
 - (7) notes the Government's failure to prosecute the human traffickers. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 16 **LEBANON'S FORMER PRIME MINISTER, MR RAFIK HARIRI:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2005*) on the motion of Ms Owens—That this House:
- (1) condemns the act of unprovoked violence that took the life of Mr Rafik Hariri, Lebanon's former Prime Minister, along with nine others;
 - (2) notes that Mr Hariri was Lebanon's Prime Minister for 10 of the last 14 years, he was a major figure in the re-construction of Beirut after the civil war and had emerged as a leading critic of the continued presence of foreign troops in Lebanon; and
 - (3) notes that Mr Hariri will be remembered around the world and among Lebanese Australians for his unstinting dedication to the people of Lebanon. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 17 **MENTAL ILLNESS:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2005*) on the motion of Mrs Gash—That this House:
- (1) notes:
 - (a) the prevalence of mental illness in Australia and its impact on the community;
 - (b) the concerns expressed by the community for the need to improve mental health services; and
 - (c) the need to increase funding to mental health services and to provide proper care to those afflicted with serious mental illness; and
 - (2) calls on all Governments:
 - (a) to work cooperatively to increase their contribution towards funding mental health services and to maintain that support in real terms;
 - (b) to take urgent steps to address the prevalence of cases that are not properly and fully managed;
 - (c) to review the policies that allow people with serious mental illness to live virtually unattended in the community;
 - (d) to increase efforts to assist in the early identification of mental illness cases and to put in place early intervention measures, particularly amongst the young;
 - (e) to investigate the high rate of mental illness that has been found amongst prisoners in our jails with the view of providing appropriate care; and
 - (f) instigate research to determine precisely the extent of the problem in Australia. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 18 **FLAGS AMENDMENT (FLYING THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLAG IN A HERITAGE PLACE) BILL 2005** (*Mr M. D. Ferguson*): Motion for second reading (*from 23 May 2005*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 19 **VIETNAMESE REFUGEES:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 May 2005*) on the motion of Mr Cadman—That this House:
- (1) recognises the 30th anniversary of the arrival in Australia in May 1975 of Vietnamese refugees, the beginning of the flow of refugee families;
 - (2) pays tribute to the courage, determination and commitment to freedom and democracy of those escaping the takeover of South Vietnam by the forces of the North;
 - (3) expresses its appreciation to all those who came from Vietnam, men, women and children, for their contribution to Australia, the economy, our culture and our values; and

- (4) further pays tribute to the compassion and hospitality of the Australian people who so readily accepted the new arrivals. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 20 **IRAQI ETHNIC GROUPS:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 May 2005*) on the motion of Mr Bowen—That this House calls on the Australian Government to make representations to the newly elected Transitional Government of Iraq to ensure that the Assyrian, Chaldaen, Syriac and Mandaean peoples of Iraq:
- (1) will be constitutionally guaranteed the right to freely exercise their customs, religion, language and traditions;
 - (2) are given the same protection by law enforcement and international security forces as other ethnic groups; and
 - (3) will be entitled to proper representation and participation in all levels of government. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 21 **LAND AND VENDOR TAXES:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 May 2005*) on the motion of Mr Bartlett—That this House:
- (1) notes the role of the housing sector in job generation and the traditional role that investment properties play in people's retirement incomes;
 - (2) recognises the valuable assistance provided to first home owners by the Federal Government's First Home Owner Grant Scheme;
 - (3) expresses its concern at the impact of the New South Wales Government's land tax increase and vendor tax on Australian investors, on the building industry and on property rents; and
 - (4) calls on the New South Wales Government to overturn its inequitable and unproductive burden on the property sector and building industry. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 22 **JOHN SIMPSON KIRKPATRICK:** Resumption of debate (*from 23 May 2005—Mr Richardson, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Hall—That this House:
- (1) notes this is the 90th anniversary of the Gallipoli campaign and in doing so remembers our most famous Anzac, Private John Simpson Kirkpatrick;
 - (2) recognises the extraordinary deeds of John Simpson Kirkpatrick who demonstrated courage above and beyond the call of duty when he and his donkeys rescued injured soldiers from the battle fields in Gallipoli;
 - (3) calls for the Government to award a posthumous Victoria Cross to 'Simpson' in this year of the 90th anniversary of Gallipoli and in accordance with the wishes of his WW1 Commanding Officers and the many thousands of Australians both young and old who demand this recognition for his acts of bravery;
 - (4) believes it is a travesty of justice that he has been denied the award of the Victoria Cross for all these years; and
 - (5) notes that all Australians would strongly support the posthumous awarding of this honour. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 23 **FUEL QUALITY STANDARDS (ETHANOL CONTENT) AMENDMENT BILL 2005** (*Mr Windsor*): Motion for second reading (*from 30 May 2005*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 24 **COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL AMENDMENT (PREVENTING SMOKING RELATED DEATHS) BILL 2005** (*Mr Kerr*): Motion for second reading (*from 30 May 2005*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 25 **HIV/AIDS:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 May 2005*) on the motion of Mrs Moylan—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges concern for the global incidence and impact of HIV/Aids, particularly in the Asia/Pacific area;
 - (2) notes that UNAIDS expects that Asia will overtake Africa in absolute numbers of HIV infection by the year 2010 and that 40% of new infections will be in Asia/Pacific by 2010 if the region is unsuccessful in turning the epidemic around;
 - (3) recognises the strong link between injecting drug use and HIV transmission in parts of Asia;

- (4) commends the Australian Government for the programs funded through AusAID in Asia and acknowledges the co-operation of countries and agencies working with AusAID staff abroad;
 - (5) commends the tremendous work carried out in the field by staff of AusAID and the difficult conditions under which they often work;
 - (6) recognises that HIV/Aids epidemics among injecting drug users can be prevented, stabilised and reversed, through timely and vigorous interventions;
 - (7) whilst not condoning illicit drug use, endorses support for continuing to fund harm reductions strategies; and
 - (8) acknowledges the Australian Government's strong and longstanding support of international efforts to expand the response to the HIV/Aids epidemic through increased resources and political commitment. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 26 **TOBACCO RELATED DISEASES:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 May 2005*) on the motion of Ms Corcoran—That this House:
- (1) recognises that tomorrow, 31 May 2005, is World No Tobacco Day;
 - (2) recognises that 19,000 Australians die each year due to tobacco related diseases;
 - (3) acknowledges the untold trauma of these diseases and the impact they have on families and communities; and
 - (4) recognises that tobacco use kills more Australians every year than alcohol, illicit drugs and the yearly Australian road toll combined. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 27 **INDOOR AIR POLLUTION:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 May 2005*) on the motion of Mr Hartsuyker—That this House:
- (1) notes the results of research which indicates that indoor air pollution can represent a significant threat to the health of Australians;
 - (2) notes that levels of indoor air pollution can be up to ten times greater than acceptable standards for outside air quality;
 - (3) notes that unflued gas heaters are responsible for high levels of nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide, formaldehyde and carbon dioxide in the home or school; and
 - (4) recognises the need for Government to establish standards in relation to indoor air quality and products which can generate pollutants within an indoor environment. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 28 **TAX CUTS:** Resumption of debate (*from 30 May 2005—Mr Robb, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Beazley—That this House:
- (1) notes the statement by the Treasurer that families who are paying off a mortgage and have children would be struggling on \$40,000 to \$50,000;
 - (2) notes that the 2005-06 budget offers a tax cut of only \$6 to those struggling families;
 - (3) notes that the alternative tax package proposed by the Opposition would provide these same families a tax cut of \$12; and
 - (4) calls on the House to adopt Labor's tax package as the best means of helping Australian families. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 29 **EMPLOYEE PROTECTION (EMPLOYEE ENTITLEMENTS GUARANTEE) BILL 2005** (*Mr Bowen*): Motion for second reading (*from 20 June 2005*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 30 **PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGES AMENDMENT BILL 2005** (*Mr Kerr*): Motion for second reading (*from 20 June 2005*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 31 **AVOIDING DANGEROUS CLIMATE CHANGE (KYOTO PROTOCOL RATIFICATION) BILL 2005** (*Mr Albanese*): Second reading—resumption of debate (*from 20 June 2005—Mr Jenkins, in continuation*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)

- 32 **RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 June 2005*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House:
- (1) notes with concern the Victorian *Racial and Religious Tolerance Act 2001* and:
 - (a) moves to introduce similar legislation into NSW;
 - (b) its effect of limiting freedom of speech, especially religious discussion, for fear of legal action;
 - (c) its creation of religious tension, where there was none before; and
 - (d) that it makes no distinction between ‘religion’ and ‘race’ when clearly one is a personal choice and the latter is inherited; and
 - (2) affirms:
 - (a) the need to protect all people from vilification and to promote racial and religious tolerance;
 - (b) its commitment to Article 18 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and Article 18 of the Declaration of Human Rights; and
 - (c) that the Commonwealth *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* adequately meets Australia’s international obligations and that the Victorian model of racial and religious tolerance legislation is unnecessary. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
- 33 **DENTAL HEALTH:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 June 2005*) on the motion of Mr Georganas—That this House:
- (1) notes that:
 - (a) since the abolition of the Commonwealth Dental Program waiting lists for dental services have increased by over 30 per cent;
 - (b) an increasing number of Australians are unable to afford private dental treatment and are waiting up to 5 years for dental care;
 - (c) older Australians, in particular, are at risk of poor health and a diminished quality of life as a result of long waiting lists and the lack of affordability of private dental services and private health insurance;
 - (d) the working poor, ineligible for health care cards and unable to afford private health insurance, are either postponing essential dental care, or risking high interest health credit products to access essential dental care to avoid further work absence;
 - (e) poor dental health can contribute to deterioration in overall health and can lead to premature admission to nursing homes or even death;
 - (f) oral health issues are often divorced from mainstream health issues even though there is a strong link between poor dental health and health problems such as diabetes, stroke, heart disease, endocarditis, and nutritional deficiencies;
 - (g) the postponement of dental treatment has led to an increase in the demand for emergency dental care, exacerbating ongoing preventative treatments which provides greatest long term benefits to both the community and the Commonwealth budget; and
 - (h) early intervention is important for maintaining a healthy and quality lifestyle and reducing future burdens on the health system; and
 - (2) calls on the Government to:
 - (a) recognise Ben Chifley’s vision when he amended the Constitution in 1946 to recognise dental treatment as a legitimate medical treatment;
 - (b) acknowledge that existing policies, as highlighted by the House of Representatives Inquiry into Long Term Strategies for Ageing Over the Next 40 years, “fall short of providing access to preventative dental care”;
 - (c) reinstate a Commonwealth dental program, and adopt Labor’s Australian Dental Care plan; and
 - (d) work cooperatively with the States and Territories to ensure that services are delivered to the most vulnerable in our community, including the elderly and the working poor. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 5 September 2005.*)
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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. 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*Thursday, 23 June 2005**The Main Committee meets at 9.30 a.m.***GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Orders of the day**

- 1 **STATUTE LAW REVISION BILL 2005** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 20 June 2005*).
- 2 **DEATH OF HIS HOLINESS POPE JOHN PAUL II—COPY OF THE CONDOLENCE MOTION MOVED BY THE PRIME MINISTER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 2005—Mr Quick*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 3 **DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE SIR JOHANNES BJELKE-PETERSEN, KCMG—COPY OF THE CONDOLENCE MOTION MOVED BY THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 26 May 2005—Ms Hall*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 4 **DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE ALBERT JAIME GRASSBY, AM—COPY OF THE CONDOLENCE MOTION MOVED BY THE PRIME MINISTER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 26 May 2005—Mr Ticehurst*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 5 **60TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY—COPY OF THE MOTION OF THANKS MOVED BY THE PRIME MINISTER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 12 May 2005—Ms J. Bishop*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 6 **IRAQ: AUSTRALIAN TASK GROUP DEPLOYMENT—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 17 March 2005—Mr Ticehurst*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the document.
- 7 **INDIAN OCEAN TSUNAMI—COPY OF MOTION BY THE PRIME MINISTER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 10 March 2005—Mr Baldwin*) on the motion of Mr Pearce—That the House take note of the document.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS**Orders of the day**

- 1 **ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REVIEW OF THE RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL REPORT 2004 (FIRST REPORT)—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 2005—Mr Hartsuyker*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report.
 - 2 **EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND WORKFORCE PARTICIPATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—WORKING FOR AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE: INCREASING PARTICIPATION IN THE WORKFORCE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 22 June 2005—Mr Neville*) on the motion of Mr Barresi—That the House take note of the report.
 - 3 **HEALTH AND AGEING—STANDING COMMITTEE—FUTURE AGEING: REPORT ON A DRAFT REPORT OF THE 40TH PARLIAMENT: INQUIRY INTO LONG-TERM STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS THE AGEING OF THE AUSTRALIAN POPULATION OVER THE NEXT 40 YEARS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF DOCUMENT**: Resumption of debate (*from 17 March 2005—Jackie Kelly*) on the motion of Mr Somlyay—That the House take note of the report.
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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:

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*1762 **MR TANNER:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) Has Airservices Australia established a subsidiary to deliver air traffic control services in Hawaii.
- (2) Are any members of the Airservices board also members of the subsidiary's board; if so, who.
- (3) Are there other members of the subsidiary's board who are not members of the Airservices board.
- (4) Has the subsidiary's board held a meeting in Hawaii; if so, (a) at whose expense, (b) when did the meeting occur, and (c) for how many days did it meet.
- (5) Have there been any other board meetings outside Australia; if so, (a) when, (b) where, (c) for how long, and (d) are any future meetings planned to occur outside Australia.

*1763 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Can he confirm that the Liberal Member for Canning, Mr Randall, acted as an observer of the recent election in Lebanon; if so, in what capacity did Mr Randall travel to Lebanon (eg was he representing the Minister, the Government or the Parliament).
- (2) Were any costs associated with Mr Randall's trip met by the Department of Foreign Affairs; if so, what costs were met and what was the sum involved.
- (3) Why was no member of the Opposition asked to act as an observer for the election in Lebanon.
- (4) Can he confirm that Government members also acted as observers at the recent election in (a) Iraq, (b) Zimbabwe, and (c) the Palestinian Territories; if so, why were no Opposition members asked to act as observers.
- (5) On what basis does he select Members or Senators to act as observers of foreign elections.
- (6) Can he explain how he can obtain a fair and objective assessment of elections in foreign countries when observer delegations have not included members of the Opposition.
- (7) Will he give an undertaking that in future when Members or Senators are asked to act as observers at foreign elections this will be done on a non-partisan basis.

*1764 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is he able to confirm reports by Human Rights Watch monitors in the *International Herald Tribune* that the UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom and Religion, Asma Jahangir, was beaten and stripped in public on 14 May by police, for organizing a mixed-gender marathon.
- (2) Is he able to confirm that on the same day Hina Jilani, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders, was arrested for attending the marathon.
- (3) Is he able to say whether Hina Jilani was also beaten by police while being detained.

- (4) Is he able to confirm the report that these two beatings were perpetrated under orders from senior Pakistani police officers.
 - (5) Did Australia's mission in Islamabad make any representations about this incident to the Pakistani Government; if so, what was the Pakistani Government's response; if not, why not.
 - (6) Is he able to say whether the Prime Minister raised Pakistan's human rights record during President Musharraf's visit to Australia.
 - (7) Did he raise human rights in Pakistan with President Musharraf; if so, what was the President's response; if not, why not.
 - (8) Will the bilateral cooperation under the Australia-Pakistan MOU on counter-terrorism involve work with the Pakistani military and police.
 - (9) What measures is he taking to ensure that the transfer of counter-terrorism training and expertise will not be used by Pakistani security agencies in human rights abuses against the Pakistani people.
- *1765 MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Can he confirm that the Mugabe regime in Zimbabwe, under the guise of "Operation Restore Order," has demolished the homes and businesses of more than 200,000 people in Harare and other cities, areas which voted against the ZANU-PF party at the recent elections.
 - (2) Can he confirm that non-government organisations have been prevented from assisting those evicted from their homes.
 - (3) Can he confirm that the majority of the people of Zimbabwe are continuing to suffer severe food shortages and health problems, including an out-of-control HIV/AIDS epidemic, as a result of the destructive policies and actions of the Mugabe regime.
 - (4) What steps has he taken to convey to the Zimbabwe government Australia's condemnation of these actions.
 - (5) What steps has he taken to raise Australia's opposition to the policies of Zimbabwe in international forums.
- *1766 MR BYRNE:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—
- (1) How many parents or caregivers of students in the electoral division of Holt (which includes the postcode areas 3156, 3177, 3802, 3803, 3804, 3805, 3806, 3975, 3976, 3977 and 3978) have received vouchers for tutorial assistance under the Pilot Tutorial Voucher Initiative since the commencement of the program.
 - (2) For the electoral division of Holt, what proportion of students participating in the program attend each category of school.
 - (3) Based on the pre and post-tuition assessment of students, what is the difference in the reading levels achieved by students who have participated in the program in the electoral division of Holt.
 - (4) How many parents or caregivers in the electoral division of Holt who approached the broker to participate in the program were unable or unwilling to access suitable tuition.
- *1767 MR BYRNE:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—
- (1) How many people are currently employed in total, and at each classification level, at the (a) Cranbourne and (b) Narre Warren Centrelink office.
 - (2) How many people were employed in total and at each classification level at the (a) Cranbourne and (b) Narre Warren Centrelink office at 1 July (i) 2003 and (ii) 2004.
 - (3) How many people currently employed the (a) Cranbourne and (b) Narre Warren Centrelink office were employed at that office on 1 July 2004.
 - (4) How many clients accessed services at the (a) Cranbourne and (b) Narre Warren Centrelink office for the financial year (i) 2002-2003, (b) 2003-2004, and (c) 2004-2005 and what proportion of clients accessed which particular services.
- *1768 MR HAYES:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
- (1) Has he written to the New South Wales Minister for Planning at any time warning that consideration of development in Bringelly and other areas of Sydney needs to take into account the three airport configurations contemplated by the 1985 environmental impact statement.
 - (2) What are the three airport configurations referred to in the 1985 environmental impact statement.

- (3) Has the Government settled on a particular option for a future Sydney airport; if so, what is the Government's preferred site; if not, (a) why not, (b) what studies, reports and reviews will be conducted before a decision will be made, and (c) what is the timetable for this decision.
- *1769 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—
- (1) Since March 1996, how many National Wage Cases have been held.
 - (2) Which legal counsel represented the Commonwealth in each case.
 - (3) What is the itemised cost of Commonwealth representation by legal counsel in each National Wage Case since March 1996, including cost of travel and fees paid to legal representatives.
- *1770 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration—
- (1) In respect of the construction of the Christmas Island Immigration Reception and Processing Centre (IRPC), what is the value of the main works phase of the Baulderston Hornibrook contract.
 - (2) What is the nature of the incentives in the contract for the use of local industry.
 - (3) How many people from Christmas Island have been employed on the job and how many people from Christmas Island are undergoing apprenticeship training as part of the project.
 - (4) What is the expected date of completion and opening of the IRPC.
- *1771 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—
- (1) In respect of the provision of Telstra Mobile Online SMS Business Services or similar services to the Minister and the Minister's staff, (a) does the Minister's department provide such a service to the (a) Minister and (b) Minister's staff; if so, when was the service first made available to the (i) Minister and (ii) Minister's staff.
 - (2) What has been the cost of providing the service to the (a) Minister and (b) Minister's staff since it was introduced.
- *1772 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations—
- (1) Is he aware of complaints about Job Network provider T & A Skills Care Service Pty Ltd referring job seekers to clothing companies in Western Sydney and recommending to the employer that they be paid part-time, not casual rates.
 - (2) Is he aware that such a practice would constitute a breach of the award rights of these employees.
 - (3) Has the department taken action to ensure that job seekers referred to clothing companies by T & A receive their award entitlements.
- *1773 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—
- (1) Does the department or any agency for which he is responsible pay for massages for its staff; if so, what sum did each agency spend on this purpose in 2004.
 - (2) What was the cost per massage.
 - (3) How many staff made use of this service.
- *1774 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—Did the department or any agency under the Minister's portfolio engage the services of a graphic design company to assist in the production of annual reports or other publications in 2004; if so, what was the name and postal address of each company engaged for this purpose and what sum was it paid.
- *1775 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—
- (1) Did the department or any agency under the Minister's portfolio engage the services of a media training company in 2004; if so, how many individuals (by agency/department) received media training.
 - (2) Did the Minister personally receive any media training.
 - (3) What was the cost of the media training.
 - (4) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged to provide media training.
- *1776 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—
- (1) Did the department or any agency under the Minister's portfolio conduct or commission an opinion poll, focus group or market research in 2004; if so, what was the (a) purpose and (b) cost of each opinion poll, focus group or market research survey conducted.
 - (2) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged to conduct the poll, focus group or research.

*1777 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) Did the department or any agency under the Minister's portfolio engage the services of a public relations, public affairs or media management consultancy in 2004; if so, what was the (a) purpose and (b) cost of each engagement.
- (2) What was the name and postal address of each company engaged for these purposes.

*1778 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) What sum was spent on recruitment agencies in (a) 2001, (b) 2002, (c) 2003, and (d) 2004 by each department and agency in the Minister's portfolio.
- (2) Will the Minister provide a list of the recruitment agencies which are used by the department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio.

*1779 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) What sum was spent on media monitoring and clipping services engaged by the Minister's office in 2004-2005 to date.
- (2) What was the name and postal addresses of each media monitoring company engaged by the Minister's office.

*1780 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) What sum was spent on media monitoring and clipping services engaged by the department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio in (a) 2002-2003, (b) 2003-2004, and (c) 2004-2005 to date.
- (2) Did the department or any agency in the Minister's portfolio order newspaper clippings, television appearance transcripts or videos, radio transcripts or tapes on behalf of the Minister's office in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005; if so, what sum was spent by the department or agency on providing this service.

*1781 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) How many media and communications officers are employed in the Minister's department.
- (2) How many media and communications officers were employed in the Minister's department in 1996.
- (3) What sum was allocated to the media and communications unit in (a) 1996-1997, (b) 2004-2005, and (c) 2005-2006.

*1782 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) Has the Minister's department or any agency in the Minister's portfolio made any grants for any purpose to the national or state or territory branches of (a) the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, (b) the Australian Industry Group, (c) the National Farmers Federation, (d) the Business Council of Australia, (e) the Motor Traders Association of Australia, (f) Employers First, (g) Australian Business Limited, (h) the National Retailers Association, (i) the Australian Liquor Association, (j) the National Electrical Contractors Association, (k) the State Chamber of Commerce (NSW), and (l) the Housing Industry Association in (i) 2003-2004, (ii) 2004-2005, and (iii) 2005-2006.
- (2) What the purpose and amount of each grant and on what date was each grant awarded.

*1783 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) How many persons were employed by the Minister's department in 2004-2005.
- (2) What was the rate of staff turnover in the Minister's department in 2004-2005.

*1784 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services—

- (1) How many of the Minister's department's staff are employed at the Senior Executive Band 1 level in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.
- (2) How many of the Minister's department's staff were paid at the Senior Executive Band 1 level in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.
- (3) How many of the Minister's department's staff were employed at the Senior Executive Band 2 level in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.
- (4) How many of the Minister's department's staff were paid at the Senior Executive Band 2 level in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.
- (5) How many of the Minister's department's staff were employed at the Senior Executive Band 3 level in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.

- (6) How many of the Minister's department's staff were paid at the Senior Executive Band 3 level in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.

MR BOWEN: To ask the Ministers listed below (questions Nos. *1785 - *1803)—

- (1) Will the Minister provide a list of advertising agencies which are used by the department and the agencies in the Minister's portfolio.
- (2) What sum was paid to each advertising agency used by the department and agencies in the Minister's portfolio in (a) 2003-2004 and (b) 2004-2005.

*1785 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Prime Minister.

*1786 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services.

*1787 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Treasurer.

*1788 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Trade.

*1789 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence.

*1790 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

*1791 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing.

*1792 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Attorney-General.

*1793 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration.

*1794 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

*1795 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs.

*1796 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training.

*1797 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Family and Community Services.

*1798 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources.

*1799 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.

*1800 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.

*1801 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage.

*1802 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Human Services.

*1803 **MR BOWEN:** To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

*1804 **MS CORCORAN:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) In respect of the 2004 changes to health warnings on cigarette packets; can he confirm that his department recommended that health warnings cover 50% of the front and 50% of the back of cigarette packets.
- (2) On what basis did the Government decide that health warnings cover 30% of the front of the packet and 90% of the back.
- (3) Can he confirm reports that the then Parliamentary Secretary for Health recommended the size of the health warnings be reduced following meetings with tobacco Industry representatives.
- (4) Which Tobacco companies were consulted during this process by his department and the former Parliamentary Secretary for Health.

*1805 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Has the Minister announced a \$1 billion project to provide the Australian Army with 12 new troop lift helicopters and associated equipment.
- (2) Did the troop lift helicopter project require funds to be redirected from another capital acquisition project; if so, what was that project or projects and what sum was redirected.
- (3) Did the troop lift helicopter project require funds to be directed from a capital facilities program; if so, what was that program and what sum was redirected.

*1806 **MR McCLELLAND:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Did the Department of Defence or the Office of the Minister for Defence issue a direction to personnel onboard HMAS *Kanimbla*, including the Commanding Officer, prohibiting them from speaking to family members and others about the crash of the SeaKing helicopter on the island of

Nias in the hours immediately following the helicopter crash; if not, who issued the direction and on whose authority and direction was it issued.

- (2) Is such a direction a standard occurrence in the event of potential loss of life.
- (3) Did the department or the Minister's office consider the impact that such an order would have on the family members of those personnel onboard HMAS Kanimbla.
- (4) Is Defence considering a change to the protocols so that family members are notified more expeditiously of the welfare of personnel should such as situation arise in the future.

*1807 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No. 175 (*Hansard*, 8 February 2005, page 104), in respect of the visits to and briefings on the Joint Defence Facility Pine Gap (JDFPGF), what was the security classification (Top Secret, Secret, Confidential or Unclassified etc) of the briefing/access provided to (a) Senator the Hon Robert Hill on 16 August 2002, (b) Mr Mark Latham MP, Leader of the Opposition, on 23 February 2004, (c) Mr Kevin Rudd, Opposition Foreign Affairs Spokesman, on 23 February 2004, (d) Senator Chris Evans, Opposition Defence spokesman, on 28 July 2003, (e) eight Members of the Defence Sub-Committee of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade and a Member of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, Australian Secret Intelligence Service, and Defence Signals Directorate, on 21 July 2004, (f) two members of the committee staff of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade and one member of the committee staff of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, Australian Secret Intelligence Service, and Defence Signals Directorate, on 21 July 2004, (g) seven Members of the United States House of Representatives Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, on 3 July 2002, (h) a Member of the United States Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, on 8 August 2002, (i) a committee staff member of the United States Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, on 8 August 2002, (j) eight Members of the United States House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, on 16 August 2003, (k) ten committee staff members of the United States House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, on 16 August 2003, and (l) a committee staff member of the United States Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, on 28 to 29 June 2004.
- (2) What specific agreement or agreements between the Australian and United States Governments govern access to and briefings on the JDFPG by (a) Members of the Australian Parliament and the United States Congress; and (b) committee staff of Australian Parliamentary Committees and United States Congressional Committees.
- (3) Is it necessary for the Australian Government to (a) notify and (b) obtain the agreement of the United States Government before (i) visits to and/or briefings on the JDFPG for Members of the Australian Parliament, and (ii) visits to and/or briefings on the JDFPG for Committee Staff of Australian Parliamentary Committees.
- (4) Is it necessary for the United States Government to (a) notify and (b) obtain the agreement of the Australian Government before (i) visits to and/or briefings on the JDFPG for Members of United States Congress, and (ii) visits to and/or briefings on the JDFPG for Committee Staff of United States Congressional Committees.

*1808 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) What agreement or agreements between the Australian and United States Governments govern the disclosure of classified information concerning the Joint defence Facility Pine Gap (JDFPGF) to other foreign governments.
- (2) What other governments or their representatives (if any) receive classified briefings or information concerning the functions and operations of the JDFPG.
- (3) Is it necessary for the Australian Government to (a) notify and (b) obtain the agreement of the United States Government before disclosing classified information concerning the JDFPG to another government.
- (4) Is it necessary for the United States Government to (a) notify and (b) obtain the agreement of the Australian Government before disclosing classified information concerning the JDFPG to another government.

*1809 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—Further to the answer given to question No. 175 (*Hansard*, 8 February 2005, page 104), aside from Australian Government employees, US Government employees, employees of Australian contractors and United States contractors. are there any persons stationed at the Joint Defence Facility Pine Gap (JDFPG) who are employees of or contractors

working for another Government; if so, which other Government or Government also has a presence at the JDFPG.

- *1810 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—In respect of the International Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (otherwise known as the Hague Code of Conduct), what diplomatic efforts and specific representations has the Australian Government made to encourage (a) India, (b) Pakistan, (c) Iran, (d) Syria, (e) Israel, (f) Indonesia, (g) the People's Republic of China, and (h) the Democratic People's Republic of North Korea, to subscribe to the Code of Conduct.
- *1811 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) In respect of each annual declaration concerning ballistic missile programs made by (a) the United States; (b) the Russian Federation, (c) France, (d) the United Kingdom, and (e) Japan, under the provisions of paragraph 4(a)(i) of the International Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (otherwise known as the Hague Code of Conduct), what were the numbers and generic classes of ballistic missiles launched during each year.
 - (2) In respect of each annual declaration concerning expendable Space Launch Vehicle programs made by (a) the United States; (b) the Russian Federation, (c) France, (d) the United Kingdom, and (e) Japan, under the provisions of paragraph 4(a)(ii) of the Hague Code of Conduct, what were the numbers and generic classes of Space Launch Vehicles launched during each year.
- *1812 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) In respect of each pre-launch notification made by (a) the United States; (b) the Russian Federation, (c) France, (d) the United Kingdom, and (e) Japan, under the provisions of paragraph 4(a)(iii) of the International Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation (otherwise known as the Hague Code of Conduct): what was the (i) date of notification, (ii) generic class of ballistic missile or Space Launch Vehicle, (iii) planned launch notification window, (iv) launch area and planned direction of launch.
 - (2) Is the Australian Government aware of any ballistic missile or Space Launch Vehicle launches by States subscribing to the Hague Code of Conduct that were not the subject of a pre-launch notification in accordance with paragraph 4(a)(iii) of the Code; if so, what was the (a) responsible State, (b) date of launch, (c) generic class of ballistic missile or Space Launch Vehicle, and (d) launch area, for each known launch.
- *1813 **MR MELHAM:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) In respect of each bilateral Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Counter-Terrorism signed by the Australian Government and the Government of (a) Pakistan, (b) Indonesia, (c) Malaysia, (d) Thailand, (e) the Philippines, (f) Fiji, (g) Cambodia, (h) East Timor, (i) India, (j) Papua New Guinea and (k) Brunei, (i) when was the MOU signed, (ii) who signed the MOU on behalf of each government, and (iii) what are the specific obligations and commitments entered into by each government through each MOU.
 - (2) Will he table the texts of these MOUs in the House of Representatives and make them available to the public on his department's website; if not, why not.
- *1814 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Special Minister of State—Further to the answer to question No. 224 (*Hansard*, 20 June 2005, page 128), when will the Australian Electoral Commission complete its analysis of informal voting for the 2004 federal election.
- *1815 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Education, Science and Training—Further to the answer to question No. 908 (*Hansard*, 14 June 2005, page 131), how many students were studying the Natural and Physical Sciences at (a) Higher School Certificate level, (b) undergraduate level, and (c) postgraduate level in (i) 1996, (ii) 1997, (iii) 1998, (iv) 1999, (v) 2000, (vi) 2001, (vii) 2002, (viii), 2003, and (ix) 2004.
- *1816 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Small Business and Tourism—
- (1) Is the Government's 25% Entrepreneurs Tax Offset calculated on the basis of a business's turnover; if not, how is it calculated.
 - (2) Do home-based businesses which sell products (a) pay higher input costs than home-based businesses that provide services, (b) carry the burden of input costs in their turnover, and (c) miss out on this tax discount because their turnover is too high; if not, why not.
 - (3) Will the Government introduce amendments to the 25% Entrepreneurs Tax Offset to ensure home-based businesses which sell products and not services are able to benefit from this tax discount; if so, when; if not, why not.

*1817 **MR KERR:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) What sum did the Commonwealth provide to the TT Line under the Bass Strait Passenger Vehicle Equalisation Scheme for the (a) Devonport to Sydney and (b) Devonport to Melbourne service in 2004-2005.
- (2) Has he investigated the discrepancy that exists between vehicle and passenger numbers; if so, can he explain the reason for it.

*1818 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Why was the funding for the Youth Ambassador program increased by \$24.5 million.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the (a) existing funding to the Youth Ambassador program and (b) additional funding for the Youth Ambassador Program.
- (3) Does the 2005-2006 Budget still include funding for Australian Volunteers International, AESOP Business Volunteers, Interserve and PALMS Australia; if so, what is the breakdown of the funds each of these organisations received and the activities it was allocated for.
- (4) How many Youth Ambassadors were recruited in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001, (g) 2002, (h) 2003, (i) 2004, and (j) 2005.
- (5) To which countries are Youth Ambassadors sent.
- (6) How many Youth Ambassadors were sent to each country identified in part (5) in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001, (g) 2002, (h) 2003, (i) 2004, and (j) 2005.
- (7) Which country has received the (a) highest and (b) lowest number of Youth Ambassadors.
- (8) What is the formal process for selecting the countries which receive Youth Ambassadors.
- (9) What mechanisms are in place to determine the number of people that go to each country.
- (10) What educational or work qualifications do Youth Ambassadors need and what are the criteria for selecting Youth Ambassadors.
- (11) What is the job description.
- (12) Are Youth Ambassadors expected to adhere to Key Performance Indicators; if so, what are they; if not, why not.
- (13) Are Youth Ambassadors required to submit reports documenting their progress.
- (14) Are Youth Ambassadors obligated to provide a formal report upon returning to Australia.
- (15) Do former participants of the program have any involvement in recruiting new participants; if so, what role do they play.
- (16) What training do Youth Ambassadors undergo before starting their placement.
- (17) Do Youth Ambassadors have any obligations to the program after the completion of their placement.
- (18) Are there any out-of-pocket expenses for Youth Ambassadors during their training and placement; if so, what are they.
- (19) Is there a travel/living allowance provided to Youth Ambassadors; if so, what is it.
- (20) Who is charged with recruiting the Youth Ambassadors.
- (21) How are the recruiters chosen.

*1819 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) How are the Australian Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) chosen for the AusAID-NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP).
- (2) What is the application process.
- (3) How much funding do the NGOs in ANCP receive.
- (4) What activities are (a) subsidised and (b) not subsidised in the ANCP.
- (5) How many NGOs participated in the ANCP in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001, (g) 2002, (h) 2003, (i) 2004, and (j) 2005.
- (6) How many countries participated in the ANCP in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001, (g) 2002, (h) 2003, (i) 2004, and (j) 2005.
- (7) How many NGOs worked in each country under the ANCP in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001, (g) 2002, (h) 2003, (i) 2004, and (j) 2005.
- (8) Do the NGOs in the ANCP provide evidence of their expenditures of the money they receive; if so, how is this presented.

- (9) Do the NGOs in the ANCP provide progress reports or feedback about their programs; if so, how is it presented and how often is it presented.
- (10) Are independent assessments made of the work that the NGOs in the ANCP undertake in the different countries; if so, what is the process involved in this; if not, how is the progress of the NGO's work assessed.
- (11) Which countries have NGO Cooperation Agreements with Australia.
- (12) Under what criteria are the countries with NGO Cooperation Agreements chosen.

*1820 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) What sum is allocated to each of the activities undertaken in the community engagement and development education program which are run through AusAID.
- (2) Which activity in the community engagement and development education program receives (a) the most and (b) the least funding.
- (3) How are activities selected for the community engagement and development education program.
- (4) Is the global education program for Australian primary and secondary teachers still operating; if so, how many teachers are being supported by this program.

*1821 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Can he confirm that the funding for Other International Programs is \$39.3 million, as stated on page 73 of the "Australia's Overseas Aid Program 2005-6" Report.
- (2) Can he confirm that the explanation for how the funds are distributed for Other International Programs, as provided on page 55 of that report, accounts for \$36 million of aid.
- (3) How does he account for the \$3.3 million discrepancy between the table and the explanation and to what has the \$3.3 million been allocated.
- (4) How many organisations received money under Other International Programs.
- (5) What are the names of the programs or organisations that received funding.

*1822 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Will aid to Iraq be reduced in 2005-2006.
- (2) Which projects/organisations will (a) receive and (b) lose funding through Australia's aid program to Iraq.
- (3) How was it determined which projects would lose funding.
- (4) Which projects/organisations will gain funding.
- (5) How was it determined which projects would gain funding.
- (6) How many projects are being funded in Iraq, and what sum does project each receive.
- (7) What are the Government's current aid priorities in Iraq and which sectors receive the most aid.
- (8) Do International non-government organisations (NGOs) receive funding under this scheme; if so, what are their names.
- (9) Do Iraqi NGOs receive funding; if so, what are their names.
- (10) Do Iraqi authorities or government departments receive funding under this scheme; if so, which authorities or departments.

*1823 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) What sum was allocated to Sudan in (a) 1996, (b) 1997, (c) 1998, (d) 1999, (e) 2000, (f) 2001, (g) 2002, (h) 2003, (i) 2004, and (j) 2005.
- (2) What sum was allocated to projects in the Darfur region in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005 and which projects received funding.
- (3) What sum was allocated to projects in Southern Darfur in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005 and which projects received funding.
- (4) Which United Nations (UN) agencies received funding in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005.
- (5) Do any organisations that are not administered through the UN receive funding; if so, which ones.
- (6) How many Australian aid workers are currently in the Sudan.
- (7) How many Australians are working within the UN agencies that have received funding from the Australian Government.

- (8) Did the Government pledge any financial or logistical aid towards the rehabilitation of southern Sudan following the Oslo donors' conference on 11-12 April 2005; if so, what sum was provided and which areas received funding; if not, why not.
 - (9) Did the Government pledge any aid to the African Mission in the Sudan (AMIS) following the Addis Ababa pledging conference for financial and logistical support for AMIS on 26 May 2005; if so, what sum was given and which areas received funding; if not, why not.
 - (10) What sum, in total, has the Government pledged to Sudan since 1996 and how much of this sum has been actually provided.
- *1824 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Can he account for the increase of aid funding to Afghanistan from \$19.7 to \$26.0 million.
 - (2) Which programs received increased funding.
 - (3) Were any new programs introduced; if so, what were they.
 - (4) Do official authorities or government departments receive aid in Afghanistan; if so, (a) which ones, (b) for what purpose, and (c) what accountability mechanisms are in place to establish that the funds are used appropriately.
- *1825 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) What programs exist to combat Avian Influenza, and what sum does each program receive.
 - (2) In which countries do these programs operate.
 - (3) Who administers the programs.
 - (4) Which country receives the most funding from the Australian Government to combat Avian Influenza.
 - (5) How many Australians are employed in these programs.
 - (6) Are local people employed to work in the programs.
 - (7) How many people are affected by Avian Influenza and in which countries do they reside.
 - (8) How many people have died from Avian Influenza and where were they from.
- *1826 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Can the Minister outline how the aid funding allocated to China is divided up.
 - (2) Will there be any new aid initiatives in the area of (a) governance, (b) health, and (c) environment for China; if so, what are they and what sum will they receive.
 - (3) Do any of the initiatives include Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs); if so, (a) how many, (b) what are their names, and (c) what roles do they play.
 - (4) Do government departments or officials receive funding through Australia's aid program; if so, which departments or officials receive funding and what is the breakdown of how they allocate their funding.
- *1827 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) What sum from the aid budget will be allocated to programs which are part of the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands.
 - (2) How many new initiatives have been started this year and what sum will each initiatives receive.
 - (3) Have any initiatives received less funding or been eliminated; if so, why.
- *1828 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Can he confirm that there will be an increase of \$56.6 million to the aid budget for Papua New Guinea this year.
 - (2) What areas or initiatives will this additional funding be used for.
 - (3) Have any new programs been initiated; if so, what are they.
 - (4) Have any programs been eliminated from the aid budget this year; if so, which ones, and why.
 - (5) Have any programs received less funding than last year; if so, which ones, and why.
 - (6) How many Non-Governmental Organisations receive funding in Papua New Guinea for aid-related projects.
 - (7) Which government departments or authorities in Papua New Guinea receive funding from the Australian Government and what do they use it for.
 - (8) What mechanisms are in place to establish that funds are used for the intended purpose.

- *1829 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) What are the new initiatives which received funding in his department for 2005-2006.
 - (2) Which program received the most funding for 2005-2006 and was it a new initiative.
 - (3) Which programs received less funding than last year and how much less did they receive.
 - (4) Which programs received more funding than last year and how much more did they receive.
- *1830 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—What sum will be allocated to the development and or purchase of facial biometric identification technology in 2005-2006.
- *1831 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Which departments will receive funding for the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meeting in 2007.
 - (2) What is the breakdown of the allocation of the department's APEC funding.
- *1832 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—What measures have been taken to facilitate trade with Thailand following the implementation of the Thailand-Australia Free Trade Agreement and what sum was allocated to each measure for 2005.
- *1833 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—What measures have been taken to facilitate trade with the United States following the Australian-United States Free Trade Agreement and what sum was allocated to each measure for 2005.
- *1834 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Have Australia's missions in South East Asia sought their host government views on Australian participation on the East Asian Summit; if so, when did the discussions with host governments first take place.
 - (2) Have South East Asian governments offered advice or views on how Australia should proceed to secure an invitation to the East Asian Summit; if so, what was that advice.
- *1835 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Did the Australian Embassy in Tokyo discuss with the Japanese Government the reasons behind Japan's decision to sign the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation (TAC).
 - (2) Did Japan express any concerns about the TAC; if so, how did Japan reconcile its concerns about the treaty with its decision to sign it.
 - (3) Did Japan place any formal caveats on its decision to sign the TAC; if so, what were they.
 - (4) According to his department's assessment, has the Japanese decision to sign the TAC affected its relations with the United States of America (USA).
 - (5) Can he say whether the USA has expressed any concerns by Japan's decision to sign the TAC.
 - (6) Have Australian diplomatic missions in South East Asia sought host government views on Australia's policy on the TAC; if so, when were these views first reported and can he provide the details of these views.
- *1836 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Have across-the-board reductions in tariffs in Singapore made the concessions negotiated in the Australia-Singapore FTA redundant; if so, in which particular sectors.
 - (2) Have across-the-board reductions in tariffs in Thailand made the concessions negotiated in the Thai-Australia FTA redundant; if so, in which particular sectors.
 - (3) In which sectors does Australia still retain a preferential tariff rate in Singapore which is better than that facing other trading partners.
 - (4) In which sectors does Australia still retain a preferential tariff rate in Thailand, which is better than that facing other trading partners.
 - (5) What is the department doing to ensure that Thai FTA negotiations with Japan or the US do not erode Australia's advantage under the Thai-Australia FTA.
- *1837 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) With which countries has Australia reached agreement to have air security officers on certain flights from Australia.
 - (2) Do the agreements involve reciprocal arrangements permitting other countries to have air security officers on certain international flights into Australia.

- (3) Has the Government provided legal expertise and other assistance to countries to develop their own framework for air security officers.
- (4) How long has the Australian government been in discussion with these countries on arrangements for air security officers.
- (5) How does Australia address the jurisdictional question of the laws governing air security officers in foreign air space.

*1838 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) What is the standard process for the appointment of a Head of Mission (HOM).
- (2) What role does the (a) Minister and (b) Prime Minister play in this appointment process.
- (3) Does the Minister or Prime Minister formally or informally advise the Department's Corporate Management Division of their preferences.
- (4) Are all HOM positions advertised internally; if not, which positions are not filled through an advertised application process and how are these Heads of Mission chosen.
- (5) What is the maximum length of time that a mission has been headed by an acting HOM during the handover period from one officially appointed HOM to another.
- (6) How many Australian missions are currently managed by an acting HOM.
- (7) How long before a Head of Mission is due to depart a post is the position advertised internally.
- (8) Was this timeframe and the standard procedure followed for the recent appointment of the (a) High Commissioner to Singapore, (b) Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, and (c) Ambassador to Burma.

*1839 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) During Prime Ministerial and Ministerial visits, do missions in developing countries import or arrange for the provision of special food to cater to the dietary preferences of the Prime Minister or a Minister; if so, what particular foods are arranged for these visits and at what cost to the Australian Government.
- (2) During Prime Ministerial and Ministerial visits do missions in developing countries import or arrange for the provision of wine, beer and other alcoholic beverages to cater to the preferences of the Prime Minister or a Minister.

*1840 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is the employment of locally engaged staff in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Phnom Penh, (d) Rangoon, (e) Hanoi, and (f) Vientiane in accordance with (i) local labour laws or Australian labour laws.
- (2) Which laws apply where there is a difference between the local and Australian labour laws.
- (3) Do employment conditions for locally engaged staff in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Phnom Penh, (d) Rangoon, (e) Hanoi, and (f) Vientiane take account of recent changes to local labour laws.
- (4) Do missions in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Manila, (d) Phnom Penh, and (e) Vientiane offer conditions to locally engaged staff above and beyond those provided by local labour laws; if so, which particular conditions.
- (5) Do missions in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Manila, (d) Rangoon, (e) Hanoi, (f) Phnom Penh, and (g) Vientiane seek advice from local lawyers on the employment of locally engaged staff.
- (6) How many days recreation leave are offered to locally engaged staff at the mission in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Manila, (d) Rangoon, (e) Hanoi, (f) Phnom Penh, and (g) Vientiane.
- (7) Are locally engaged staff offered overtime payments at these missions; if so, for the last six months, (a) how many locally engaged staff have been paid overtime and what sum was paid for overtime.
- (8) What insurance or workers compensation arrangements are in place for locally engaged staff at the mission in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Manila, (d) Rangoon, (e) Hanoi, (f) Phnom Penh, and (g) Vientiane.
- (9) Do locally engaged staff members at the mission in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Manila, (d) Rangoon, (e) Hanoi, (f) Phnom Penh, and (g) Vientiane have the right to refuse to travel to a dangerous location or work under dangerous conditions; if not, why not.
- (10) How often are locally engaged staff salary rates at the mission in (a) Bangkok, (b) Jakarta, (c) Manila, (d) Rangoon, (e) Hanoi, (f) Phnom Penh, and (g) Vientiane reviewed to keep in step with inflation rates in these countries.

*1841 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Do departmental officials based in Australian missions in (a) Rangoon, (b) Bangkok, (c) Phnom Penh, (d) Vientiane, and (e) Hanoi engage in political level discussions with host governments on people trafficking.
- (2) How often have departmental officials in the missions in (a) Rangoon, (b) Bangkok, (c) Phnom Penh, (d) Vientiane, and (e) Hanoi raised people trafficking with government officials in (i) 1996, (ii) 1997, (iii) 1998, (iv) 1999, (v) 2000, (vi) 2001, (vii) 2002, (viii) 2003, and (ix) 2004.
- (3) How many victims of people trafficking have been returned from Australia to these countries in the last year.
- (4) What was the involvement of missions in (a) Rangoon, (b) Bangkok, (c) Phnom Penh, (d) Vientiane, and (e) Hanoi in the return of victims of people trafficking
- (5) Are reintegration and counselling services provided by Australian authorities or by the host government and who funds this assistance.
- (6) How many of the victims of people trafficking from Australia have assisted Australian police in the investigation of the perpetrators of people trafficking.
- (7) How many of the victims of people trafficking have acted as witnesses in the prosecution of perpetrators of people trafficking.

*1842 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) In which South East Asian countries has Australia held combined counter-terrorism military exercises like that held in Thailand in July 2004.
- (2) Are the Governments of ASEAN countries open to engaging in these exercises with Australia.
- (3) Are their further exercises planned in South East Asia.
- (4) What has been the follow-up with the Thai government from the exercise held in Thailand in July 2004.

*1843 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Which missions had their security upgraded in the 2004-2005 financial year.
- (2) Which missions will receive the additional funding announced by him in May 2005.
- (3) How many security incidents or breaches of security have occurred at the missions identified parts (1) and (2) in 2004 and 2005 and what was the nature of these incidents and breaches.

*1844 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) What are the criteria for the grant of temporary travellers loans are they available for the information of the travelling public.
- (2) How many Australians were (a) granted and (b) refused temporary loans by Australian missions in 2004-2005.

*1845 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Does his department have plans to forge links between the Bali Process on People Smuggling, People Trafficking and Transnational Crime (a process initiated by the Australian and Indonesian Governments in 2002) and the Bali Process on Counter-terrorism (a process initiated by the Australian and Indonesian Governments in 2004); if not, why not; if so, are there plans to link the two processes.
- (2) Does his department plan to hold future Ministerial meetings on either process; if not, why not.
- (3) How many workshops or activities were held under each process in 2004-2005 and which issues did these workshops cover.

*1846 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) How often are Australian missions audited (a) internally within the mission and (b) by a Canberra-based audit team.
- (2) Which missions were audited in the 2004-2005 and when was the last time these missions were audited.
- (3) What were the findings of the 2004-2005 audits and did the audits take into account miscellaneous or suspense accounts.
- (4) What steps does the department take to ensure that missions comply with the auditors recommendations.

- *1847 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) When was the last time the Embassy in Buenos Aires was audited by a Canberra-based audit team or otherwise audited externally.
 - (2) How often are the accounts of the Embassy in Buenos Aires reviewed.
 - (3) Has the Embassy consistently met its budget for the last financial year.
 - (4) What changes are implemented to the financial structure if budgets are not met.
- *1848 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Were new accounting standards recently introduced at the High Commission in London; if so, when.
 - (2) How do the accounting standards used by the High Commission in London differ from the accounting standards employed throughout the Department.
- *1849 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Are Australian missions overseas required to comply with the Department of Finance and Administration’s procurement guidelines; If so what steps does the Department take to ensure that the procurement guidelines are met; If not, do individual missions have their own procurement guidelines, and if they do, what are the guidelines.
- *1850 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) When were the accounts of the High Commission in Nairobi last audited.
 - (2) When was representational expenditure in High Commission in Nairobi last audited.
 - (3) Was any action taken or recommendations made as a result of the audit.
- *1851 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—In respect of official events held at Australian missions, do all acquittals for all functions require a full guest list of those who attended the event.
- *1852 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) How many official vehicles does the Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York own or lease (including Head of Mission and Deputy Head of Mission vehicles).
 - (2) What are the guidelines for the use of official vehicles at the Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York.
- *1853 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Does the department have guidelines for the use of Government cars by spouses of diplomatic officers.
 - (2) For what purpose are spouses entitled to use Government cars.
 - (3) Do auditors assess the use of official vehicles.
- *1854 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Did he issue a media release on 31 May 2005 to mark the second anniversary of Aung San Suu Kyi’s detention; if not why not.
 - (2) Did he use the occasion on 31 May 2005 to condemn the reported extension of Aung San Suu Kyi’s detention until September 2005; if not why not.
 - (3) Has the Australian Embassy in Rangoon made any representations to the Burmese junta about the continued detention of Aung San Suu Kyi since 31 May 2004; if so, when.
 - (4) Did Australia make any representations in the context of any ASEAN meetings in which it participated in 2005 regarding the detention of Aung San Suu Kyi.
 - (5) When was the policy of constructive engagement with the ruling State Peace and Democracy Council (SPDC) last reviewed.
 - (6) On what basis did the Government make the decision to continue its policy of constructive engagement.
 - (7) Does Australia have a “smart sanctions” regime imposed on Burma; if so, can the Minister provide an overview of those sanctions.
 - (8) Are Burmese passport holders, including diplomatic passport holders, able to transit Australian airports without a visa.
 - (9) Are there any restrictions on SPDC travel to Australia; if not, (a) has consideration been given to imposing these restriction and (b) on what basis did the Government decide against imposing these restrictions.
 - (10) Has consideration been given to restricting international financial transactions of SPDC funds; if not, why not.

- (11) Is the department aware of any SPDC assets held in Australia; if so, has consideration been given to freezing those assets and, if it has not, why not.
- (12) Do the US and European restrictions on financial transfers into Rangoon apply to the Australia Embassy in Rangoon; if so, (a) how does it receive funds from Australia and (b) what impact have these restrictions had on its financial operations.
- (13) Has the department made representations or had any discussions about Burma taking up the ASEAN chair in 2006; if so, when and to whom.
- (14) Would Australia be represented at ASEAN meetings in 2006 hosted by Burma; if so, at what level would Australia be represented.

*1855 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) How does the Department record its consular case load.
- (2) Has the department recorded an increase in the number of consular cases that Australian Embassies deal with.

*1856 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) What training does the Department provide to locally engaged staff on the commencement of their employment.
- (2) Does the Department provide training for the locally-engaged guards and counter staff at Australian missions; if so, what type of training.
- (3) What training does the department offer to its locally-engaged staff to acquaint them with Australian culture and society so that they will be able to represent Australia.

*1857 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Does the department encourage its staff to seek further professional development and what policies does it have to encourage staff to undertake further study or professional development.
- (2) How many officers are currently undertaking further study in Department and how many of these officers are studying at their own expense.
- (3) What incentives are given to officers to work in difficult or remote missions and how does the department ensure that these positions are filled with due regard to the importance of fostering talent and individual needs.

*1858 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is the department working towards launching a campaign for a United Nations Security Council seat.
- (2) Why did he abandon his plan to launch a campaign for a Security Council seat for Australia in 2002.

*1859 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Will he outline the areas of continuing concern for the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in its assessment of Australia.
- (2) How has Australia responded to the concluding observations of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination since they were released in March 2005.

*1860 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Does he support Permanent Seats on the UN Security Council for (a) Japan, (b) Brazil, (c) Germany, (d) Indonesia, and (e) India.

*1861 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—Has the department discussed the matter of reform of the UN Security Council with Chinese officials; if so, what were China's views.

*1862 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) How do Australia's missions in (a) Geneva, (b) Vienna, and (c) New York select which UN meetings Australia will attend.
- (2) Does the department seek advice on the level of representation from other countries before deciding on Australia's representation at a given meeting.

*1863 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Has the Australian Embassy in Egypt assisted Australian companies with operations or interests in Syria; if so, which companies and what is the dollar value of their interest or operations.
- (2) Are there any Australian companies with oil concessions in Syria; if so, which companies.

*1864 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Did his department prepare legal advice on the constitutionality under Papua New Guinea (PNG) law of the Joint Agreement between Australia and PNG; if so, what was the advice.

- (2) Did he seek a legal assessment of the constitutionality under PNG law of the Joint Agreement between Australia and PNG from the PNG Government; if so, what was the advice.
 - (3) What, if any, provisions were there in the agreement to respond to situation of legal immunity not being accorded to the Australian Federal Police (AFP).
 - (4) Was his department advised by the PNG Government that the Agreement would be subject to judicial review; if so, when was the department advised and was it advised before the AFP and other government officials were sent to PNG.
 - (5) What avenues is his department exploring to overcome the legal problems raised by the unanimous ruling of the PNG Supreme Court.
 - (6) How long will it take for his department to address the legal issues in discussion with the PNG Government.
- *1865 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) How does the text of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Pakistan differ from other Counter-terrorism MOUs signed between Australia and other countries in the region.
 - (2) Does his department have a standard text or template agreement which it uses as a basis for negotiations.
 - (3) What measures are being used to ensure that the capacity building and information exchanges under the Australia-Pakistan MOU on Counter-Terrorism are not used by Pakistani security authorities to perpetrate human rights abuses against Pakistani citizens.
- *1866 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) Which countries receive assistance under the Australian Partnerships with African Communities program.
 - (2) What sum did each country receive under the program in (a) 2002, (b) 2003, (c) 2004, and (d) 2005.
 - (3) Were any countries taken on or off the list in (a) 2002, (b) 2003, (c) 2004, and (d) 2005; if so, which ones and why.
 - (4) What are the criteria for countries to be included in the program.
 - (5) Was Eritrea ever included in the program; if so, when.
- *1867 MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—
- (1) What is the Government's policy on the human rights situation in Uganda.
 - (2) Has he released any statements on human rights in Northern Uganda, and in particular, the issue of child soldiers in that region; if so, what was stated.
 - (3) Does Uganda receive any humanitarian aid from the Australian Government; if so, what sum and for what purposes.
- *1868 MR RUDD:** To ask the Attorney-General—
- (1) How many independent investigations did the Privacy Commissioner establish in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.
 - (2) Was the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) subject to any independent investigations in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.
 - (3) How many times was DFAT subject to independent investigations in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.
- *1869 MR RUDD:** To ask the Attorney-General—How many times did the Attorney-General seek rulings from the Office of the Privacy Commissioner in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005, and what did each ruling deal with.
- *1870 MR RUDD:** To ask the Attorney-General—
- (1) How many complaints relating to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) did the Privacy Commissioner receive in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.
 - (2) Which issue received the (a) highest and (b) lowest number of complaints directed towards DFAT in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.
 - (3) How many complaints did the Privacy Commissioner receive in relation to mandatory detention or from asylum-seekers in mandatory detention.

*1871 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Attorney-General—

- (1) How many policy advice documents did the Privacy Commissioner produce for the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.
- (2) What were the issues that the Privacy Commissioner gave advice to DFAT on in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.
- (3) Which issue received the (A) highest and (b) lowest number of policy advice documents for DFAT in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, and (f) 2005.

*1872 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration—

- (1) Does the Minister's department pay for the staff of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to have massages; if so, how many massages were paid for in (a) 2004, and (b) 2005.
- (2) How many DFAT staff members used this service in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.
- (3) How many DFAT staff members used this service more than once during (a) 2004, and (b) 2005.
- (4) What was the maximum number of massages received by a DFAT staff member in (a) 2004, and (b) 2005.
- (5) What was the cost per massage in 2004.
- (6) Has the cost changed since 2004; if so, by how much, and why.
- (7) How many companies or individuals were contracted to provide massages in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.
- (8) What were the names of the companies or individuals which provided massages and what sum were they paid in (a) 2004 and (b) 2005.

*1873 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Finance and Administration—

- (1) What relaxation facilities and services, including sporting facilities, are provided to the staff of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).
- (2) Does the Minister's department pay for any of these facilities; if so, which ones.
- (3) What sum did the department pay in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005 for each of the facilities.
- (4) Did the costs increase or decrease from 2004 to 2005 for any of the facilities; if so, which ones and by how much.
- (5) Were any facilities not paid for by the department ; if so, which ones, and why.
- (6) How many DFAT staff members used each of the facilities in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005.
- (7) How many DFAT staff members, in total, used the facilities paid for by the department in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005.
- (8) How many DFAT staff members, in total, used the facilities that they had to pay for themselves in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005.
- (9) What were the names of the companies or individuals contracted by the department to provide the relaxation services and facilities, and what sum did they receive in (a) 2003, (b) 2004, and (c) 2005.

*1874 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) Has a product known as 'Aquacadabra' been approved for use in Australian swimming pools.
- (2) Has this same substance has been banned in Europe; if so why.
- (3) Has this substance been known to cause anaphylactic shock.
- (4) What scientific research was conducted by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority before approving this product.

*1875 **MR RUDD:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) When was the last time the Australian Government reviewed its guidelines for the registration of chlorine and stabilised chlorine for swimming pools.
- (2) Is he or his department aware of any stabiliser products available in swimming pool shops that contain a warning on the label that reads "May be fatal to children" or words to that effect.

*1876 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister for Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) What will be the criteria that her department uses to determine eligibility for the medallion to commemorate the 60th anniversary of victory in the Pacific.
- (2) Will the medallions be available only to persons who served overseas.
- (3) Will the medallions be presented only to veterans who served in the Pacific Theatre of War.

*1877 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Further to the answer to question No 615 (*Hansard*, 23 May 2005, page 111) and answers supplied in Senate estimates hearings on 31 May 2005, did the Lieutenant-Commander's parents formally notify the Australian Defence Force of the alleged incident at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) on 11 December 2000.
- (2) Was RADM Hancock, who on 11 December 2000 was chief of staff to the then chief of Navy, present at a meeting with the Lieutenant-Commander's parents when her treatment at the Academy was raised.
- (3) Did the ADF refer the matter to the Australian Federal Police for investigation on 5 April 2001; if so, why did the Minister say at the Senate Estimates on 31 May that "the alleged incident was not reported to Defence, even at a late stage, but rather reported to the police".
- (3) Did the Government pay \$377,221.28 for the legal fees of Dr McKenzie, whom the West Australian Medical Board found guilty on 22 charges relating to improper conduct, misconduct and gross carelessness or incompetency in respect of his conduct as a naval doctor in a case involving the female Lieutenant-Commander.
- (4) In respect of Rear Admiral Hancock's statement at the Senate Estimates on 31 May 2005 that the Medical Board's decision "allowed us to move the negotiations with this member forward and try to work out what is needed to get an acceptable settlement", did the offer for an "acceptable settlement" at the time this statement was made amount to \$15,000 and has the offer now been withdrawn.
- (5) Was a member of the law firm Phillips Fox present at the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (HREOC) mediation session at which "an acceptable settlement" was discussed; if so, (a) what were the costs to Defence to date for the services of Phillips Fox at the HREOC meetings and in dealing with HREOC on this complaint, (b) was Phillips Fox the firm which provided legal services for Dr McKenzie at the W.A. Medical Board, (c) did the W.A. Medical Board give serious consideration to suspending Dr McKenzie's registration for a period of time, (d) did the Board accept arguments put by Phillips Fox or a barrister instructed by Phillips Fox that suspending Dr McKenzie would "cause him financial hardship"; if so, did Phillips Fox or a barrister instructed by Phillips Fox argue that "the Practitioner will be liable for a substantial sum in the form of costs of the Inquiry. He will need to borrow money to pay those costs. If ordered to pay a fine, he would need to borrow additional money to pay it", (e) did the ADF's Director of Litigation, Mr Miller, recommend that the Commonwealth pay any damages or costs arising from the Medical Board hearing; if so, did Mr Miller make that recommendation before the Medical Board's penalty hearing on 19 August 2004.
- (6) Did the total legal assistance provided by Defence to the Lieutenant-Commander amount to one hour of legal advice from a Reserve Legal Officer on 20 October 2000; if so, (a) do Reserve Legal Officers receive a given daily rate dependent on rank and (b) was the Reserve Legal Officer a lieutenant at the time.
- (7) At the Senate Estimates on 31 May 2005 did Mr Cunliffe say in response to a question on billable hours or costs of services given to the Lieutenant-Commander say: "I would be surprised if at this point it was possible to reduce it to a figure. I do not believe it would have been expressed in those terms at the time it was provided"
- (8) Were other Naval Officers who gave evidence at the Medical Board hearing provided legal assistance by the ADF; if so by whom was this assistance provided and at what cost.
- (7) Did Dr McKenzie have professional indemnity insurance when the complaint against him was made to the W.A. Medical Board in 2001.
- (9) Was Dr McKenzie initially represented at the Medical Board by another law firm other than Phillips Fox; if so, (a) was this law firm appointed by Dr McKenzie's civilian medical defence organisation, (b) at what point in the proceedings before the W.A. Medical Board hearings did Phillips Fox take over representation of Dr McKenzie, (c) did the ADF's Director of Litigation approve legal assistance at Commonwealth expense to Dr McKenzie when his legal defence was already covered by his professional indemnity insurance, and (d) what factors caused the transfer of representation to take place.
- (10) Was the Lieutenant-Commander forced to use Freedom of Information to obtain documents from her own personal file in order to progress her complaint; if so, (a) has she received all of the documents requested and if she has not, why not, and (b) was the Lieutenant-Commander forced to use Freedom of Information to obtain documents from other ADF files in order to progress her complaint; if so, has she received all of the documents requested and if she has not, why not.

- (11) Did Dr McKenzie have full and unfettered access to the female officer's (a) medical records and (b) personal records after her complaint had been lodged with the Medical Board.
- (12) Did the Commanding Officer of HMAS Stirling have unfettered access to the female officer's personal file after a complaint against him was lodged; if so, why.
- (13) Was the female officer given access to the personal files of either (a) Dr McKenzie and (b) the Commanding Officer of HMAS Stirling.

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COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for life of 41st Parliament

Standing

Pursuant to standing orders

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

Current inquiry:

Indigenous employment.

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

Current inquiries:

Rural skills training and research.

The impact on agriculture of pest animals.

COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS: Jackie Kelly (*Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Garrett, Mr Griffin, Mr Hayes, Mr Johnson, Mr Keenan, Dr Laming, Ms Owens, Mr Ticehurst.

Current inquiry:

The uptake of digital television in Australia.

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

Current inquiries:

Improving the superannuation savings of people under 40 years of age.

Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia Annual Report 2004.

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

Current inquiry:

Teacher education.

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

Current inquiry:

Independent contractors and labour hire arrangements.

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

Current inquiry:

Sustainable cities 2025.

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

Current inquiries:

Adoption of children from overseas.

Balancing work and family responsibilities.

The impact of illicit drug use on families.

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

Current inquiry:

Health Funding.

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

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

Current inquiry:

Developing Australia's non-fossil fuel energy industry.

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

Current inquiries:

Harmonisation of legal systems.

Federal implications of statehood for the Northern Territory.

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

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

PRIVILEGES: Mr C. P. Thompson (*Chair*), Mr Baldwin, Ms A. E. Burke, Mrs Draper, Mrs Gash, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Melham, Mr McMullan, Ms Plibersek (nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mr Price, Mr Somlyay (nominee of the Leader of the House).

PROCEDURE: Mrs May (*Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mrs Draper, Mr Hartsuyker, Ms Hoare, Mr Melham, Mr Price.

Current inquiries:

Media coverage of House proceedings.

Certain procedures relating to House committees.

PUBLICATIONS: Mrs Draper (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Baker, Mr Baldwin, Ms Corcoran, Mr Hayes, Mrs Hull.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION: Mr Georgiou (*Chair*), Mr Hayes, Mr Jenkins, Dr Jensen, Jackie Kelly, Mr Price, Mr Quick, Mr Tollner, Mrs D. S. Vale, Dr Washer.

Current inquiry:

Pathways to innovation.

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: Mr Neville (*Chair*), Ms Bird, Mr Gibbons, Mr Haase, Ms Hall, Dr Jensen, Mr McArthur, Mr Richardson, Mr Ripoll, Mr Schultz.

Current inquiry:

The integration of regional rail and road freight transport and their interface with ports.

Joint Statutory

ASIO, ASIS AND DSD: Mr Jull (*Chair*), Mr Byrne, Mr Kerr, Mr McArthur, Senator Ferguson, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Ray.

Current inquiry:

Intelligence Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2005.

Review of Division 3 Part III of the *ASIO Act 1979* under Part 4 Section 29 (bb)(i)(ii) and (c) of the *Intelligence Services Act 2001*.

Review of the listing of seven terrorist organisations (V&P, 24 May 2005, page 328).

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

BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS: The Speaker, The President, Mr Baldwin, Mr Bartlett, Mr Lindsay, Mr McMullan, Ms Vamvakinou, Senator 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 inquiries:

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

Regulation of property investment advice.

Regulation of the time share industry.

NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND ACCOUNT: Senator Johnston (*Chair*), Mr McMullan, Mr Melham, Mr Randall, Mr Slipper, Mr Tollner, Senator Carr, Senator Crossin, Senator Lees, Senator Scullion.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT: Mr Baldwin (*Chair*), 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.

Current inquiries:

Review of Auditor-General's reports, 3rd quarter 2003-2004.

Review of Auditor-General's reports, 4th quarter 2003-2004.

Review of Auditor-General's reports, 1st quarter 2004-2005.

Review of Auditor-General's reports, 2nd quarter 2004-2005.

Further Review of Aviation Security in Australia.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mrs Moylan (*Chair*), Mr Forrest, Mr Jenkins, Mr B. P. O'Connor, Mr Ripoll, Mr Wakelin, Senator Ferguson, Senator Forshaw, Senator Judith Troeth.

Current inquiries:

Black Mountain, ACT—CSIRO Entomology Bioscience Laboratory.

Canberra, ACT—Refurbishment of the Royal Australian Mint building.

Canungra, Qld—Redevelopment of Kokoda Barracks.

Darwin, NT—Operational upgrade of the Darwin detention facility.

Darwin, NT—Upgrade patrol boat facilities at Darwin Naval Base.

Holsworthy, NSW—Special operations working accommodation and Base redevelopment Stage 1.

Waterford, Perth, WA—CSIRO minerals laboratory extensions.

Willis Island, Coral Sea, Qld—Office replacement of the Bureau of Meteorology.

Joint Standing

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

Current inquiries:

Conduct of the 2004 Federal Election.

Disclosure of donations to political parties and candidates.

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

Current inquiries:

Australian Defence Force regional air superiority.

Australia's defence relations with the United States of America.

Australia's human rights dialogue process.

Australia's relations with the Republic of Korea.

Australia's trade and investment relations with North African states.

Review of the Defence Annual Report 2003-2004.

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

Current inquiry:

Skills recognition, upgrading and licensing.

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

Current inquiries:

Adequacy of funding for the Australian Antarctic Program.

Governance arrangements for the Indian Ocean Territories.

Sustainability of government arrangements on Norfolk Island.

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

Current inquiries:

Treaties tabled 7 December 2004 (V&P, 7 December 2004, page 100).

Treaties tabled 15 March 2005 (V&P, 15 March 2005, page 245).

Treaties tabled 11 May 2005 (V&P, 11 May 2005, page 304).

Treaties tabled 21 June 2005 (V&P, 22 June 2005, pp. 449-450).

APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY BODIES

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES: Mr Somlyay (*appointed 11 May 2005, 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*).