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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 4

TUESDAY, 19 MARCH 1968

- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable W. J. Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PETITION: Mr. Buchanan presented a petition from certain electors of the Division of McMillan praying that the Australian Government adopt a realistic policy towards winning the Vietnam war as quickly as possible and that this policy be recommended to our American Allies. Petition received and read.

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- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

We, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—

Debate resumed.

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Barnes (Minister for External Territories) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition) speaking without limitation of time.

Question-put and passed.

Debate continued.

- Debate adjourned (Mr Cope), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 5 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

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- PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 19 March 1968, pursuant to statute:
 - Defence Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1968, No. 20.

Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1968, No. 17.

Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Orders—Berthing of a vessel (2).

Housing Loans Insurance Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1968, No. 19.

Lands Acquisition Act-Land, etc., acquired for-

Civil aviation purposes-Moorabbin, Victoria.

Post Office purposes— Bayswater, Victoria.

Mooball, New South Wales.

Shipping and transport purposes—Port Adelaide, South Australia.

Post and Telegraph Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1968, No. 18.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Chipp, Mr Failes, Mr Hallett, Mr Hansen, Mr Hughes, Mr A. T. Jones and Mr St. John.

> A. G. TURNER, Clerk of the House of Representatives

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