

## AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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WEDNESDAY, 24 OCTOBER 1973

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- 1 The House met, at half-past eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
  - 2 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following honourable Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
    - Mr Bonnett, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Cooke, Mr Drury, Mr Jarman, Mr Kelly, Mr Killen, Mr McLeay, Mr McVeigh and Mr E. L. Robinson—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.
    - Mr Ashley-Brown, Sir John Cramer, Mr Kerin, Mr MacKellar, Mr Nixon, Mr Ruddock and Mr Wentworth—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House see that television is used to build into the nation integrity, teamwork and a sense of purpose by serving, and to bring faith in God to the heart of the family and national life.
    - Mr Lynch (Deputy Leader of the Opposition)—from certain electors of the Division of Flinders praying that the House acknowledge the right of every Australian child to equal grants of Government money spent on education.
 Petitions received.
  - 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
  - 4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
    - Australian Education Council—Report by Mr Beazley (Minister for Education) on conference held at Melbourne, 14–15 June 1973.
    - Australian Forestry Council—Twelfth Meeting, Brisbane, 8 June 1973—Summary of resolutions and recommendations.
    - Department of Health—Report of Director-General of Health for year 1972–73.
    - Department of the Media—First Annual Report, for period ended 30 June 1973.
    - National Urban Framework—Report to the Cities Commission by John Paterson Urban Systems Pty Ltd, dated March 1973.
 The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
    - Science and Industry Endowment Act—Report by Auditor-General on accounts of Science and Industry Endowment Fund for year 1972–73.
  - 5 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE: A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:
    - 23 October 1973—Message No. 128—Banking 1973.
  - 6 POSTPONEMENT OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS: Ordered—That government business be postponed until after order of the day No. 1, general business.

7 NEW AND PERMANENT PARLIAMENT HOUSE: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Scholes—

- (1) That this House is of the opinion that (a) the site for the new and permanent Parliament House should be determined forthwith, (b) a joint meeting of the Senate and the House of Representatives should be convened to determine the matter, and (c) planning for the new House should commence immediately.
- (2) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting its concurrence—

*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Uren (Minister for Urban and Regional Development), viz.—*That all words after “That” (first occurring) be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:

“this House is of the opinion that (a) action should be taken forthwith to initiate the planning and design of the new and permanent Parliament House, (b) the design should encompass the total building complex but should permit staged construction, (c) the site for the new House should be on Camp Hill, to permit the use of the first stage in association with the existing building, and (d) a joint meeting of the Senate and the House of Representatives should be convened to determine the matter by a majority of Senators and Members present at that meeting.

- (2) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting its concurrence”—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Cope, in the Chair)—

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Mr Adermann	Mr Duthie	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Beazley	Dr Everingham	Mr Jones	Dr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Fisher	Mr Keating	Mr Riordan
Mr Bouchier	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keogh	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Scholes
Mr Bryant	Mr Fulton	Mr Lamb	Mr Sherry
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Garrick	Mr Luchetti	Mr Staley
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Lucock	Mr Viner
Mr Cooke	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Corbett	Mr Hallett	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn
Mr Crean	Mr Hamer	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Hewson	Mr Morrison	
Mr Daly	Mr Innes	Mr Mulder	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Doyle	Mr Jacobi	Mr O’Keefe	Mr England
Mr Drummond	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Armitage	Mr Enderby	Mr King	Mr Stewart
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Erwin	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr Barnard	Dr Forbes	Mr Lynch	Mr Thorburn
Mr Birrell	Mr Gorton	Mr MacKellar	Mr Turner
Mr Bonnett	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Uren
Mr Bury	Mr Hayden	Mr McMahan	Mr Wallis
Dr Cairns	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth
Mr Calder	Mr Hunt	Mr Mathews	Mr Whitlam
Dr Cass	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	Mr Wilson
Mr Coates	Mr James	Mr Nixon	
Mr Connor	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr E. L. Robinson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Mr Cohen
Mr Edwards	Mr Kerin	Mr Sinclair	Mr Giles

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put—and passed.

- 8 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1973-74: The order of the day having been read for the further consideration of the Bill in committee, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Second Schedule—

Proposed expenditures—

Department of External Territories, \$193,932,000—

Department of Foreign Affairs, \$124,736,000—

together further debated.

Several Members rising to address the committee—

*Closure*; Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the proposed expenditures be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Education, \$145,351,000—further debated and agreed to.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

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The House resumed; Dr Jenkins reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said committee.

- 9 “BLYTHE STAR”—INQUIRY INTO SINKING—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Jones (Minister for Transport), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the survival of seven of the ten crewmen of the freighter *Blythe Star* and to the Government's intention to seek a full inquiry into sinking of the ship.  
Mr Street, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.
- 10 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:  
24 October 1973—Message—  
No. 129—Commonwealth Banks (No. 2) 1973.  
No. 130—Reserve Bank 1973.  
No. 131—Papua New Guinea (Transfer of Banking Business) 1973.  
No. 133—Papua New Guinea (Application of Laws) 1973.  
No. 134—Wireless Telegraphy 1973.  
No. 135—Meteorology 1973.  
No. 136—Papua New Guinea Loans Guarantee 1973.
- 11 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1973-74: The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

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*In the committee*

Second Schedule—

Proposed expenditures—

Department of Customs and Excise, \$43,128,000—

Department of Primary Industry, \$50,391,000—

Department of Overseas Trade, \$27,411,000—

Department of Secondary Industry, \$19,293,000—

together debated.

It being fifteen minutes past ten o'clock p.m.—Progress to be reported.

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The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

12 ADJOURNMENT: The question was accordingly proposed—That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until eleven o'clock p.m.—Mr Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

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PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 24 October 1973, pursuant to statute:

- Defence Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 204.
- Defence Act, Naval Defence Act and Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, Nos. 201, 203.
- Honey Industry Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, No. 202.
- Papua New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1973—
  - No. 62—Appropriation 1972–73 (Validation of Expenditure).
  - No. 63—Customs (Amendment) Tariff (No. 2).
  - No. 64—Excise (Amendment) Tariff (No. 3).
  - No. 65—Income Tax (Allowances and Rebates).
  - No. 66—Income Tax (Rates).
  - No. 67—Valuers' Registration (Amendment).
  - No. 68—Forest Industries Council.
  - No. 69—National Airline Commission.
  - No. 70—Public Finances (Control and Audit).

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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Collard, Mr Fox\*, Mr Garland\*, Mr Hansen and Dr Klugman\*.

\* On leave

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N. J. PARKES,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives