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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 18

WEDNESDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 1983

- 1 The House met, at 10.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Dr H. A. Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 MORETON ELECTORAL DIVISION—ISSUE OF WRIT: Mr Speaker informed the House that it was his intention to issue a writ, on Wednesday, 12 October 1983, for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Moreton, in the State of Queensland, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honourable Sir James Killen, K.C.M.G. The dates in connection with the election would be fixed as follows:

Date of nomination . . . Friday, 21 October 1983.

Date of polling Saturday, 5 November 1983.

Date of return of writ . . . On or before Saturday, 31 December 1983.

- 3 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr Andrew, Mr Bilney, Mr Braithwaite, Mrs Child, Mr Chynoweth, Mr Cross, Mrs Darling, Mr Drummond, Mr Fife, Mr Gear, Mr Hollis, Mr McVeigh, Mr Millar, Mr P. F. Morris and Mr Shipton—from certain citizens praying that chiropractic services be included in Medicare when it is introduced.
 - Mr Bilney, Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Brumby, Mrs Child and Mr Chynoweth—from certain citizens praying that the ban on the export of kangaroo products be re-applied.
 - Mr Drummond, Mr Rocher and Mr Tuckey—from certain citizens praying that there be no requirement for tax to be deducted from payments to owner-drivers of trucks.
 - Dr Charlesworth and Mr Rocher—from certain citizens praying that certain infertility treatments be included on the Commonwealth Rebate List.
 - Mr Andrew—from certain citizens praying that the House not ratify the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.
 - Mr Bilney—from certain citizens praying that the excise on grape spirit used in fortifying wine be either withdrawn or modified in its method of application and collection
 - Mr Bilney—from certain citizens praying that no new legislation be enacted to degrade existing superannuation schemes.
 - Mr Bowen—from certain citizens praying that the Income Tax Assessment Act be amended to allow expenses incurred by disabled persons in earning a living to be tax deductible.
 - Dr Charlesworth—from certain electors of the Electoral Division of Perth praying that The Philippines' authorities be urged to cease harassment of Father Gore.

Mr Cross—from certain citizens praying that the Government ratify the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.

Mr Cross—from certain residents of Mackay, Qld, praying that the Mackay Directory Assistance Centre not be closed.

Mrs Darling—from certain residents of Queensland praying that legislation be enacted to ban the advertising of alcohol from commercial television and radio.

Mr Free—from certain residents of Mt Riverview, N.S.W., praying that a Post Office Agency be situated in the Mount Riverview Shopping Centre.

Mr Fry—from certain citizens praying that the recommendations of the Committee of Review into the Impact of Radford College, A.C.T., not be implemented and certain other action be taken in respect of education funding.

Mr Howe—from certain citizens praying that tariffs on imported vehicle component parts be substanially increased to the point where they become uneconomic to import.

Mrs Kelly—from certain citizens praying that an assurance be given that no abortion clinic will be established in the Australian Capital Territory.

Mr Mildren—from certain citizens praying that the Government refrain from ratifying the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.

Mr Mildren—from certain citizens praying that ex-service women who volunteered for service in the 1939-45 war but were not sent to war zones be considered eligible for defence service home loans.

Mr Scott—from certain residents of South Australia praying that the Parliament require General Motors-Holden to continue its operations at the Woodville Plant, S.A.

Petitions received.

4 PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS: Mr Bowen (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That, unless otherwise ordered, government business take precedence of general business on each day of sitting until the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 1983-84, the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1983-84 and the Appropriation

(Parliamentary Departments) Bill 1983-84 have passed all stages in the House.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 5 ELECTORAL REFORM—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION OF APPOINTMENT: Mr Bowen (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—
 - (1) That the resolution of appointment of the Joint Select Committee on Electoral Reform be amended:

(a) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following new paragraph:

- "(3A) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint committee until the House of Representatives expires by dissolution or effluxion of time.", and
- (b) by omitting paragraph (14), as amended, and substituting the following paragraphs):

"(14) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.

(14A) That the committee report as soon as possible.".

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

6 INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION) BILL 1983: Mr Hayden (Minister for Foreign Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the making by Australia of a special contribution to the International Development Association.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hayden moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr MacKellar), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

7 INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (QUOTA INCREASE) BILL 1983: Mr Hurford (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the increase in Australia's quota in the International Monetary Fund.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr McVeigh), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADDITIONAL SUBSCRIPTION) BILL 1983: Mr Hurford (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the subscription by Australia for additional shares in the capital stock of the Asian Development Bank.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr McVeigh), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

9 FIRST HOME OWNERS BILL 1983: Mr Hurford (Minister for Housing and Construction), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to encourage and assist persons to purchase or build their own homes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr McVeigh), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

10 HOME DEPOSIT ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT BILL 1983: Mr Hurford (Minister for Housing and Construction), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Home Deposit Assistance Act 1982.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr McVeigh), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

11 HOUSING LOANS INSURANCE AMENDMENT BILL 1983: Mr Hurford (Minister for Housing and Construction), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Housing Loans Insurance Act 1965 and the Commonwealth Functions (Statutes Review) Act 1981.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr McVeigh), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

12 BARLEY RESEARCH LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 1983: Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Barley Research Levy Act 1980, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Kerin moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr McVeigh), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

13 TAXATION (UNPAID COMPANY TAX) ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1983 [NO. 2]:
The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—
Debate resumed.

Mr Spender addressing the House—

It being 12.45 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 101A, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

14 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

15 ADVANCE TO THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE 1982-83—STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE: Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) presented the following paper:

Advance to the Minister for Finance for year 1982-83—Statement of heads of expenditure and the amounts charged thereto pursuant to section 36A of the *Audit Act 1901*.

Ordered—That the statement be taken into consideration in committee of the whole House at the next sitting.

16 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

National Debt Sinking Fund Act—National Debt Commission—60th Annual Report, for year 1982-83.

Public Service Act—Public Service Board—59th Annual Report, for year 1982-83.

Services Trust Funds Act—

Australian Military Forces Relief Trust Fund—36th Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1982.

Royal Australian Air Force Welfare Trust Fund—35th Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1982.

Royal Australian Navy Relief Trust Fund—Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1982.

Services Canteens Trust Fund—35th Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1982.

17 PROGRAM PRESENTATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND OUTLAYS—DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATES 1)83-84—PAPER AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) presented the following paper:

Program presentation of appropriations and outlays—Departmental estimates

1983-84, dated September 1983-

and, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the paper.

Mr Moore, by leave, also made a statement in connection with the paper.

18 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER: Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That leave of absence for 2 months be given to Mr Fife, on the ground of ill health.

Question—put and passed.

19 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—EDUCATION FUNDING DECISIONS: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Howard (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The threat posed to parental freedom of choice in education by the Government's funding decisions".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Howard addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

20 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORT: Mr Saunderson presented the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:

Report relating to the provision of air conditioning to main instructional building, Schools of Transport and Catering, Puckapunyal, Vic. (1st report of 1983), together with minutes of evidence.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

21 TAXATION (UNPAID COMPANY TAX) ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1983 [NO. 2]:

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Johnson reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Hurford (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), the House adopted the report.

Mr Hurford, by leave, moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

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

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Mr Baldwin Mr Beazley Mr Beddall	Mrs Darling Mr Dawkins Mr Duffy	Mr Humphreys* Mr Hurford Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison Mr Mountford Mr O'Neil
Mr Bilney	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Johnson	Mr Punch
Mr Blanchard	Dr Everingham	Mr Jones	Mr Saunderson
Dr Blewett	Ms Fatin	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bowen	Mr Free	Mrs Kelly	Mr Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fry	Mr Kent	Mr Simmons
Mr Brumby	Mr Gayler	Mr Keogh	Mr Snow
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear	Mr Kerin	Mr Staples
Mr Charles	Mr Gorman	Dr Klugman	Mr Steedman
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Child	Mr Hand	Ms McHugh	Mr Uren
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hayden	Mrs Mayer	Mr Wells
Mr Cohen	Mr Holding	Mr Milton	Mr West
Mr Cross	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Young

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Mr Adermann	Mr Connolly	Mr Howard	Mr Porter
Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Hunt	Mr Rocher
Mr Andrew	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anthony	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shipton
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Burr	Mr Goodluck	Mr McGauran	Mr Spender
Mr Cadman	Mr Groom	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr E. C. Cameron*	Mr Hall	Mr Macphee	Mr Tuckey
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Millar	Mr White
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks*	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodeman	Mr Newman	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a third time.

22 DIVIDEND RECOUPMENT TAX BILL 1983: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Ouestion—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Hurford (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

- 23 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 3 to 8, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 24 SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 1983: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Keating (Treasurer), by leave, the following amendments were made together, after debate:

New clause-

Page 2, after clause 2, insert the following new clause:

Pre-fabricated buildings

- "2A. Section 6A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (2) and substituting the following sub-section:
 - '(2) In this section—
 - "pre-fabricated building section" does not include pre-fabricated duct work or pre-fabricated channelling, being duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems;
 - "taxable goods", in relation to a pre-fabricated building or pre-fabricated building section, means goods that, if sold separately, would not be covered by any item in the First Schedule, and, in a case where there are incorporated in the building or building section goods (in this definition referred to as the "relevant goods"), being—
 - (a) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems; or
 - (b) fittings, accessories or attachments for duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems,

includes the relevant goods."...

Amendments-

Schedule-

- Page 7, paragraph 17 (a), omit proposed paragraphs (a) and (b) of sub-item 82 (1), substitute the following paragraphs:
- "(a) asphalt tiles, cork tiles, linoleum tiles, rubber tiles, vinyl tiles or other similar floor tiles;
 - (b) channelling used for slides or water slides;
 - (c) vinyl liners, fibreglass liners or other similar liners for swimming pools;
 - (d) components of, or goods designed to form part of, swimming pools, including panels and sheeting;
 - (e) piping or tubing;
 - (f) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems; or
 - (g) fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems".

Page 7, after clause 17, insert the following new clause:

"17A. After item 82 in the First Schedule the following item is inserted:

'82A. (1) Piping or tubing of a kind used exclusively, or primarily and principally, in the construction or repair of, and wrought into, or attached to, so as to form part of, buildings, fixtures, structures or other works, but not including piping or tubing being-

(a) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems;

- (b) piping or tubing of a kind used as duct work or channelling in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems;
- (c) fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems;
- (d) piping or tubing of a kind used for slides or water slides;
- (e) piping or tubing of a kind used in or in connection with beer drawing plant; or
- (f) rubber hose or rubber tubing or any hose or tubing of a kind used principally for any of the purposes for which rubber hose or rubber tubing is ordinarily used
- '(2) Fittings (and parts therefor) for goods covered by sub-item (1), including taps, cocks, valves, faucets, inspection boxes and doors, clear outs, floor wastes, grates, gullies, traps, syphonic connections, pipe heads, shoes, stop blocks, meters and meter covers, hydrants and hydrant covers, hydrant pit frames and covers, valve covers, valve pit frames and covers, and air valve frames and covers, but not including—

(a) components of, or goods designed to form part of, swimming pools; or

(b) filtering appliances or filtering equipment, being appliances or equipment of a kind installed in or in connection with swimming pools

'(3) Piping or tubing of a kind used exclusively, or primarily and principally, as part of fixed electrical installations in consumers' premises

'(4) Materials for use as integral parts in the construction or repair in situ of piping or tubing covered by sub-item (1) or (3), including manholes and inspection shafts used in connection therewith

Page 7, paragraph 18 (b), omit proposed paragraphs (f) and (g) of sub-item 83 (2), substitute the following paragraphs:

"(f) vinyl liners, fibreglass liners or other similar liners for swimming pools;

- (g) components of, or goods designed to form part of, swimming pools, including panels and sheeting;
- (h) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems; or
- (j) fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, duct work or channeling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems".

Page 8, paragraph 18(d), omit proposed paragraphs (c) and (d) of sub-item 83 (3), substitute the following paragraphs:

"(c) vinyl liners, fibreglass liners or other similar liners for swimming pools;

(d) components of, or goods designed to form part of, swimming pools, including panels and sheeting;

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- (e) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems; or
- (f) fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems".

Page 8, clause 19, omit the clause, substitute the following clause:

- "19. Item 84 in the First Schedule is amended—
- (a) by omitting sub-item (1) and substituting the following sub-item:
 - '(1) Metal building materials (including girders, rods, bars, wire, sheets, mesh, lathing and fabricated units composed of any of those goods, and attachments for such units) for use in the construction or repair of, and to be wrought into, or attached to, so as to form part of, buildings or other fixtures, but not including—
 - (a) liners for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, swimming pools, including panels and sheeting;
 - (b) channelling used for slides or water slides;
 - (c) piping or tubing;
 - (d) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems; or
 - (e) fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems
- (b) by inserting in sub-item (2) ', duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems, or fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, such duct work or channelling' after 'equipment'.".

Page 8, clause 20, omit proposed paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-item 86 (1), substitute the following paragraphs:

- "(b) liners for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, swimming pools, including panels and sheeting;
- (c) channelling used for slides or water slides;
- (d) piping or tubing;
- (e) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems; or
- (f) fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draft ventilating or air conditioning systems".

Page 8, after clause 20, insert the following new clause:

"20A. Item 88 in the First Schedule is amended by adding at the end of sub-item (1) 'or fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, such systems'.".

Page 11, after clause 43, insert the following new clause:

"43A. Item 2 in the Third Schedule is omitted and the following item is substituted:

- '2 Parts, fittings and accessories for goods covered by item 1, but not including—
- (a) duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems; or
- (b) fittings, accessories or attachments for, components of, or goods designed to form part of, duct work or channelling of a kind used in forced draught ventilating or air conditioning systems'.".

Page 11, clause 47, omit proposed item 11, substitute the following items:

"11 (1) Vinyl liners, fibreglass liners or other similar liners for swimming pools, being swimming pools that are fixtures

- '(2) Goods, including panels and sheeting, designed to form the walls or floors, or designed to form parts of the walls or floors, of swimming pools, being swimming pools that are fixtures, but not including—
 - (a) filtering appliances or filtering equipment; or
 - (b) other goods (other than coping) designed to be attached to those walls or floors
 - '12 Containers for goods covered by this Schedule'.".

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr Mildren reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Keating, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

25 BROADCASTING STATIONS LICENCE FEES AMENDMENT BILL 1983: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed by Mr Lloyd who moved, as an amendment—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 deplores the action of the Government in extending the use of fees in the broadcasting area beyond cost recovery to a new source of taxation revenue".

Debate continued.

Mr Saunderson addressing the House—

26 ADJOURNMENT: It being 7.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 8 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 7 September 1983: Public Service Act—Determination—1983—No. 17.

Treaties-Text of-

Which have been signed by Australia and which require further treaty action by Australia before the treaty can enter into force for Australia—

- (1) Final Acts of the Plenipotentiary Conference of the International Telecommunication Union, done at Nairobi on 6 November 1982. Signed for Australia on that date.
- (2) Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of New Zealand to provide for the termination of the Christmas Island Agreement 1958-81, signed at Canberra on 22 November 1982.

To which Australia has become a party by signature—

- (3) Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the People's Republic of China on the Reciprocal Exchange of Sites for Construction of Diplomatic Compounds, signed at Beijing on 5 August 1982. The Agreement entered into force on that date.
- (4) Exchange of Notes signed at Washington on 18 and 21 October 1982 constituting an Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States of America regarding the importation of meat into the United States of America during 1982. The Agreement entered into force on 21 October 1982.
- (5) Exchange of Notes signed at Jerusalem on 28 September 1982 and at Tel Aviv on 27 October 1982 constituting an Agreement between the

- Government of Australia and the Government of the State of Israel concerning the immunities of Australian Military Members of the Multinational Force and Observers while on leave in Israel. The Agreement entered into force on 27 October 1982.
- (6) Subsidiary Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of Japan concerning Japanese Tuna Long-line fishing, signed in Canberra on 28 October 1982. The Agreement entered into force on 1 November 1982.
- (7) Exchange of Notes signed at Canberra on 24 November 1982 constituting an Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States of America amending the Agreement relating to the establishment of a United States Naval Communication Station in Australia of 9 May 1963. The amending Agreement entered into force on 24 November 1982.
- (8) Exchange of Notes signed at Canberra on 5 February 1982 and 13 January 1983 constituting an Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the State of Israel regarding the taking of Evidence in one country for use in Criminal Proceedings in the other country. The Agreement entered into force on 13 January 1983.
- (9) Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development on Privileges and Immunities of the Organisation in Australia signed at Paris on 14 January 1983. (The Agreement entered into force on 14 February 1983 in accordance with Article 10.)
- (10) Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the French Republic concerning the Establishment of a French-Australian School in Canberra, signed at Canberra on 4 July 1983. The Agreement entered into force upon signature.

Which Australia has accepted or to which Australia has acceded—

- (11) Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, done at Geneva on 12 April 1979. (Accepted by Australia on 21 September 1982. The Agreement entered into force for Australia on 21 October 1982.)
- (12) Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and Protocol to the Agreement done at Geneva on 12 April 1979. (Accepted by Australia on 22 November 1982. The Agreement entered into force for Australia on 22 December 1982.)
- (13) Extension of the International Coffee Agreement 1976 until 30 September 1983, as resolved by the International Coffee Council in Resolution No. 318 of 25 September 1981 at London. (Australia acceded to the International Coffee Agreement 1976, as extended, on 3 January 1983.)
- (14) Amendment to paragraph 2 of Article 5 of the Convention relating to International Exhibitions, adopted by the General Assembly of the International Exhibitions Bureau at Paris on 24 June 1982. (Accepted by Australia on 20 June 1983.)
- (15) 1983 Protocol for the Further Extension of the Wheat Trade Convention 1971. (Done at London on 1 December 1982, acceded to by Australia on 30 June 1983. The Protocol entered into force for Australia on 1 July 1983.)
- (16) 1983 Protocol for the Further Extension of the Food Aid Convention 1980. (Done at London on 1 December 1982, notification of provisional application by Australia deposited on 30 June 1983. The Protocol entered into force for Australia on 1 July 1983.)

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr J. J. Brown, Mr Cowan, Mr Fife*, Mr Lusher, Mr McLeay, Mr Maher, Mr Reeves and Mr Robinson.

* On leave

D. M. BLAKEClerk of the House of Representatives