THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 119

WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 1989

- 1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Acting Speaker (Mr McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 SUSPENSION OF SESSIONAL ORDER 48A AND STANDING ORDER 103: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That sessional order 48A (adjournment of House) and standing order 103 (11 o'clock rule) be suspended for this sitting.

 Ouestion—put and passed.
- 3 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—PROPOSED JOINT COMMITTEE: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

(1) That a joint committee be appointed to inquire into and report on:

- (a) all proposals for modifications or variations of the plan of layout of the City of Canberra and its environs published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette on 19 November 1925, as previously modified or varied, which are referred to the committee by the Minister for the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism and Territories; and
- (b) such matters relating to the Australian Capital Territory as may be referred to it by:

(i) resolution of either House of the Parliament, or

(ii) the Minister responsible for the Australian Capital Territory.

- (2) That the committee consist of 8 members, 2 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Government Whip or Whips, 2 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Opposition Whip or Whips, 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, 1 Senator to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and 1 Senator to be nominated by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.

(4) That the committee elect a Government member as its chairman.

- (5) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall act as chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chairman and deputy chairman 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 5 members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee.
- (7) That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.
- (8) That the committee have power to move from place to place.

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

(10) That the committee have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Joint Committees on the Australian Capital Territory appointed during previous Parliaments and of the House of Representatives

and Senate Standing Committees on Transport, Communications and Infrastructure when sitting as a joint committee on matters relating to the Australian Capital Territory.

(11) That the resolutions of the House of Representatives of 2 November 1987 and 5 November 1987 and of the Senate of 26 October 1987 and 3 November 1987 relating to consideration of Australian Capital Territory matters by the House of Representatives and Senate Standing Committees on Transport, Communications and Infrastructure be rescinded.

(12) 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.

(13) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

4 SUPPLY BILL (NO. 1) 1989-90: 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 Dr Hewson 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 notes:

(1) Australia's \$95.47 billion net foreign debt at the end of December 1988 and its continuing balance of payments deficit on the current account which

increased by \$1624 million during March 1989;

(2) that the Government is in danger of losing control of monetary policy through persistent attempts to encourage bullish sentiment in financial markets and talk down the dollar;

(3) the Government's high risk economic strategy of sole reliance on high interest rates, whilst increasing Government spending and granting wage increases unrelated to productivity;

(4) the impact of the Government's high interest rate, high tax and high

inflation policies on the living standards of all Australians; and

(5) the failure of the Government to address Australia's deep-seated economic problems which require the freeing up of the labour market, a comprehensive micro-economic reform agenda and policies designed to enhance competitiveness and increase savings".

Ordered—That Mr Uren be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

It being approximately 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.

5 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice being asked—

Paper: Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services) presented the following paper:

Commonwealth Housing Land Task Force—Special Premiers Conference—Paper, dated 3 March 1989.

Questions without notice continued.

6 EFFICIENCY AUDIT—REPORT OF AUDITOR-GENERAL—PUBLICATION OF PAPER AND REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE: The Acting Speaker presented the following paper:

Efficiency audit—Industry Research and Development Board, Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce: taxation concessions and grants for industry research and development schemes—Report of the Auditor-General,

dated 10 May 1989.

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved-

- (1) That this House, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Papers Act 1908*, authorises the publication of the report of the Auditor-General, dated 10 May 1989, on an efficiency audit of the Industry Research and Development Board, Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce: taxation concessions and grants for industry research and development schemes:
- (2) That the report be printed; and
- (3) That the report be referred to the Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology.

Question—put and passed.

7 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

Finance and Public Administration—Standing Committee—Report—A nail in time saves nine: Review of the Auditor-General's efficiency audit on the Department of Housing and Construction: repairs and maintenance of Commonwealth assets—Government response.

Research involving animals in the Antarctic—Report by the Antarctic Science Advisory Committee Working Group to the Minister for the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism and Territories.

8 DEFENCE INDUSTRY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER: Mr Beazley (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the defence relationship with industry and the launching of a Government-owned corporation, Australian Defence Industries, and presented the following paper:

Defence industry—Ministerial statement, 10 May 1989.

Mr White, by leave, also made a statement in connection with the matter.

9 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—DISABILITY SERVICES ACT: The House was informed that Mr Braithwaite had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The uncertainty and financial hardship caused to organisations serving people with disabilities by the failure of the Government to properly implement the Disability Services Act".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Braithwaite addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 10 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 to 9, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 11 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 1989: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation.

Bill read a first time.

Mr P. F. Morris moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr P. F. Morris presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

12 INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) AMENDMENT BILL 1989: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Income Tax (International Agreements) Act 1953.

Bill read a first time.

Mr P. F. Morris moved-That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr P. F. Morris presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

13 SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 1989 [NO. 2]: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr P. F. Morris moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr P. F. Morris presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

14 SOCIAL SECURITY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1989: Mr Humphreys (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to social security and veterans' affairs, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper: Mr Humphreys presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

15 STATES GRANTS (SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 1989: Mr Duncan (Minister for Employment and Education Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the States Grants (Schools Assistance) Act 1988, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Duncan moved-That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr Duncan presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

16 STATES GRANTS (TECHNICAL AND FURTHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE)
AMENDMENT BILL 1989: Mr Duncan (Minister for Employment and Education Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the States Grants (Technical and Further Education Assistance) Act 1989, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper: Mr Duncan presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

17 SUPPLY BILL (NO. 1) 1989-90: 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—And on the amendment moved thereto by Dr Hewson (see entry No. 4)—Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Simmons (Minister for Defence Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

18 SUPPLY BILL (NO. 2) 1989-90: 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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Simmons (Minister for Defence Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

19 SUPPLY (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL 1989-90: 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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Simmons (Minister for Defence Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

20 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 6) 1988: 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.

Debate adjourned (Dr Charlesworth), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

21 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HEALTH LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1989: Dr Blewett (Minister for Community Services and Health), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend laws relating to community services and health, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Blewett moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Dr Blewett presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

22 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 6) 1988: 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.

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Clauses 1 to 8, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 9_

Mr Connolly, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 15, omit proposed section 281, substitute the following section:

Assessable income to include taxable contributions

"'281. Subject to section 275, the assessable income of a complying superannuation fund of a year of income shall only comprise taxable contributions made to a fund in a year of income and the special income in the year of income."

Page 17. omit proposed section 290, substitute the following section:

Assessable income to comprise only taxable contributions and special income "290. Subject to section 275, the assessable income of a complying ADF of a year of income shall only comprise the taxable contributions made to the fund in the year of income and the special income in the year of income."

Debate continued.

Question--That the amendments be agreed to-put.

The committee divided (the Deputy Chairman, Mr Mildren, in the Chair)— AYES, 49

Mr Adermann	Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shipton
Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McGauran	Mr Smith
Mr Andrew*	Mr Downer	Mr MacKellar	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Miles	Mr Taylor
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Nehl	Mr Tuckey
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Porter	Mr Webster
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson
Mr Cadman	Mr Halverson	Mr Robinson	Dr Woods
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Rocher	Dr Wooldridge
Mr E. C. Cameron	Dr Hewson	Mr Ruddock	
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Shack	
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Sharp	

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Mr Baldwin	Mrs Darling	Mr Humphreys	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beddall	Mr Dawkins	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr Price
Mr Bilney	Mr Dubois	Mr Jenkins	Mr Saunderson
Mr Blanchard	Mr Duffy	Mr Johns	Mr Sawford
Dr Blewett	Mr Duncan	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Bowen	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Kent	Mr Sciacca
Mr R. J. Brown	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerr	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr Brumby	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lamb*	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Free	Mr Langmore	Mr Snow
Mr Charles	Mr Gear	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snowdon
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Gorman	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Grace	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
Mr Cleeland	Mr Griffiths	Ms McHugh	Mr Tickner
Mr Courtice	Mr Hand	Mr Martin	Mr Uren
Ms Crawford	Mrs Harvey	Mr Milton	Mr West
Mr Cross	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wright

^{*} Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 10 agreed to.

Clause 11-

Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) moved the following amendment: Page 19, at the end of the clause add the following subclauses:

- "(2) Where:
- (a) if paragraph (1) (a) applies—the order of the court was made before 1 December 1988; or
- (b) if paragraph (1) (b) applies—the cancellation of the shares took place before 1 December 1988;

the following provisions have effect:

- (c) if the adjusted market value, referred to in subsection 159GZZZF (1) of the amended Act, in relation to the shares exceeds the consideration in respect of the acquisition of the shares then, for the purposes of the application of the amended Act (other than Part IIIA or section 159GZZZH) in relation to the cancellation:
 - (i) paragraph 159GZZZF (1) (c) of the amended Act has effect as if the reference in that paragraph to the adjusted market value of the shares were instead a reference to the amount of the consideration;
 - (ii) paragraph 159GZZZF (1) (d) of the amended Act has effect as if the reference in that paragraph to an amount being increased so that it equals the adjusted market value of the shares were instead a reference to that amount being increased or decreased so that it equals the amount of the consideration;

- (d) if the adjusted market value, referred to in subsection 159GZZZF (1) of the amended Act, in relation to the shares exceeds their indexed cost base to the subsidiary concerned or, where the shares were cancelled within 12 months of their acquisition, their cost base then, for the purposes of the application of Part IIIA of the amended Act in relation to the cancellation:
 - (i) paragraph 159GZZZF (1) (c) of the amended Act has effect as if the reference in that paragraph to the adjusted market value of the shares were instead a reference to the indexed cost base or cost base, as the case may be; and
 - (ii) paragraph 159GZZZF (1) (d) of the amended Act has effect as if the reference in that paragraph to an amount being increased so that it equals the adjusted market value of the shares were instead a reference to that amount being increased or decreased so that it equals the indexed cost base or the cost base, as the case may be.
- "(3) Expressions used in paragraph (2) (d) that are also used in Part IIIA of the amended Act have the same respective meanings in that paragraph as in that Part.
 - "(4) In this section:

'amended Act' means the Principal Act as amended by this Act.".

Paper: Mr P. F. Morris presented Part B of an explanatory memorandum to the following Bills:

Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 6) 1988.

Income Tax Rates Amendment (No. 2) 1988.

Income Tax (Fund Contributions) 1988.

Income Tax Amendment (No. 2) 1988.

Debate continued.

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

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Remainder of the Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate. Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr R. F. Edwards reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr P. F. Morris, by leave, the House adopted the report.

Mr P. F. Morris, by leave, moved—That the Bill be now read a third time. Question—put.

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

AYES, 69

Mr Baldwin	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jenkins	Mr Saunderson
Mr Beddall	Mr Dubois	Mr Johns	Mr Sawford
Mr Bilney	Mr Duffy	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Blanchard	Mr Duncan	Mr Kent	Mr Sciacca
Dr Blewet'.	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Kerr	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr Bowen	Ms Fatin	Mr Lamb*	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Langmore	Mr Snow
Mr Brumby	Mr Free	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snowdon
Mr Campoell	Mr Gear	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
Mr Charles	Mr Gorman	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Grace	Ms McHugh	Mr Tickner
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Griffiths	Mr Martin	Mr Uren
Mr Cleel and	Mr Hand	Mr Mildren	Mr West
Mr Courtice	Mrs Harvey	Mr Milton	Mr Willis
Ms Crawford	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wright
Mr Cros;	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	_
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys	Mr O'Keefe	
Mrs Darling	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr Price	

NOES, 49

Mr Adermann	Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shipton
Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McGauran	Mr Smith
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Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Moore	Mr Tuckey
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Nehl	Mr Webster
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Porter	Mr Wilson
Mr Cadman	Mr Halverson	Mr Reith	Dr Woods
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Robinson	Dr Wooldridge
Mr E. C. Cameron	Dr Hewson	Mr Rocher	_
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Shack	
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Sharp	

* Tellers

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

23 INCOME TAX RATES AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1988: 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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

24 INCOME TAX (FUND CONTRIBUTIONS) BILL 1988: 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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

25 INCOME TAX AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1988: 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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

26 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT (SUPERANNUATION) BILL 1989: 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—

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.

Mr Connolly moved the following amendment: Clause 26, page 43, lines 16 and 17, omit proposed paragraph 159SG (1) (c), substitute the following paragraph:

"(c) in relation to the year of income commencing on 1 July 1988—\$125,000; or".

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Bill agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr R. F. Edwards reported accordingly.

- On the motion of Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.
- 27 INCOME TAX RATES AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1989: 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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

- On the motion cf Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.
- 28 POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE: Ordered—That notice No. 6, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 29 RESOURCE ASSESSMENT COMMISSION BILL 1989: 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 Sinclair who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "the House decline; to give the Bill a second reading as it is of the opinion that the Government should be condemned for:
 - (1) its prevarication over major national development projects where minority viewpoints have been allowed to prejudice a rational balance between valid environmental concerns and development proposals and delay Government decision;
 - (2) its failure to recognise land use as properly the responsibility of State and Northerr Territory Governments;
 - (3) not providing an explicit role for the States in the Resource Assessment proposal,
 - (4) failing to ensure consultation with the States before the appointment of special Commissioners to the Resource Assessment Commission;
 - (5) using the Resource Assessment Commission concept to atone for public reaction against the Government's last minute intervention on the Wesley Vale Pulp Mill; and
 - (6) providing yet another layer between development applications and Government approval to the detriment of proposals designed to ameliorate Australia's chronic balance of payments problems through their contribution to Australian export revenue and in offsetting domestic imports".

Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after 12 midnight-

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Debate continued.

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

30 ADJOURNMENT: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Industrial Relations) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 12.03 a.m., adjourned until this day at 10 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 10 May 1989: Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposal for collection of information—1989—No. 9—National health survey.

Fisheries Act—

Notices-Nos. GEM 1, NPF 6.

Plans of Management—

No. GEM 1—Gemfish Fishery 1989.

No. 24—Northern Prawn Fishery (Amendment).

Lands Acquisition Act—Statement of lands acquired by agreement authorised under subsection 7 (1).

Treaties-Text of-

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

- (1) Treaty on Extradition between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Argentina. Signed at Buenos Aires 6 October 1988.
- (2) Treaty on Extradition between Australia and the Oriental Republic of Uruguay. Signed at Montevideo 7 October 1988.
- (3) Treaty on Extradition between Australia and the Republic of Venezuela. Signed at Caracas 11 October 1988.
- (4) Treaty on Extradition between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Ecuador. Signed at Quito 13 October 1988.
- (5) Treaty on Extradition between the Government of Australia and the Government of his Serene Highness the Prince of Monaco. Signed at Monaco 19 October 1988.
- (6) Treaty between Australia and the Republic of Austria on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters. Signed at Vienna 20 October 1988.
- (7) Treaty on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters between Australia and the Republic of Italy. Signed at Melbourne 28 October 1988.
- (8) Agreement on Trade, Economic and Technical Co-operation between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Turkey. Signed at Ankara 21 November 1988.
- (9) Treaty between Australia and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters. Signed at Luxembourg 24 October 1988.
- (10) Treaty between Australia and the Kingdom of the Netherlands on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters. Signed at Canberra 26 October 1988.
- (11) Scientific and Technological Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the French Republic. Signed at Sydney 24 October 1988.
- (12) Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the People's Republic of China for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income. Signed at Canberra 17 November 1988.
- (13) United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, done at Vienna 20 December 1988. Signed for Australia 14 February 1989. The Convention is not yet in force.

To which Australia has become a party by signature—

- (14) Exchange of Letters constituting an Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States of America concerning Meat Exports by Australia. Signed at Washington 27 September 1988. Entry into force 27 September 1988.
- (15) Subsidiary Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of Japan concerning Japanese Tuna Long-Line Fishing. Signed at Canberra 27 October 1988. Entry into force 1 November 1988 pursuant to Article IX of the Agreement.
- (16) Agreement on Fisheries between the Government of Australia and the Government of the People's Republic of China. Signed at Canberra 17

- November 1988. Entry into force 1 March 1989 pursuant to Article XV of the Agreement.
- (17) Exchange of Notes constituting an Agreement with the Government of the United States of America amending the Agreement on the Establishment of a Joint Space Research Facility of 9 December 1966, as amended on 19 October 1977 (Pine Gap). Signed at Canberra 16 November 1988. Entry into force 16 November 1988.
- (18) Exchange of Notes constituting an Agreement with the Government of the United States of America amending the Agreement on the Establishment of a Joint Defence Communications Station of 10 November 1969 (Nurrungar). Signed at Canberra 16 November 1988. Entry into force 16 November 1988.
- (19) Exchange of Notes constituting an Agreement to amend the Agreement between Australia and the United States of America on the financing of certain Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs of 28 August 1964, as amended. Signed at Canberra 25 November and 5 December 1988. Entry into force 5 December 1988.
- (20) Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of New Zealand for the Reciprocal Protection of Classified Information of Defence Interest. Signed at Waiouru, New Zealand, 10 February 1989. Entry into force 10 February 1989.
- (21) Agreement on Development Co-operation between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand. Signed at Bangkok 2 February 1989. Entry into force 2 February 1989.
- (22) Exchange of Notes constituting an Agreement amending the Air Transport Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States of America of 3 December 1946, as amended. Signed at Washington 23 March 1989. Entry into force 23 March 1989 except Annex B to the Agreement which entered into force retrospectively to 20 August 1988.
- (23) Exchange of Notes constituting an Agreement with the Government of the United States of America concerning (Airline) Capacity. Signed at Washington 23 March 1989. Entry into force 23 March 1989 with retrospective effect from 20 August 1988.
- (24) Agreement on Medical Treatment for Temporary Visitors between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden. Signed at Canberra 14 February 1989. Notes exchanged at Canberra 28 February 1989 bringing the Agreement into force on 1 May 1989 pursuant to Article 6.1 of the Agreement.
- (25) Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of New Zealand providing for Reciprocity in Matters relating to Social Security. Signed at Canberra 31 October 1988. Notes exchanged at Canberra 31 March 1989 bringing the Agreement into force on 1 April 1989 pursuant to Article 21.1 of the Agreement.
- Which Australia has accepted or to which Australia has acceded—
 - (26) International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants, as revised at Geneva 23 October 1978. Instrument of accession deposited for Australia 1 February 1989. Entry into force for Australia 1 March 1989.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mrs Child, Mr Cohen, Mr Gayler, Mr Mountford and Mr Spender.

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives