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# SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**Public Hearings:** Additional Estimates for 2009–2010

Wednesday, 10 and Thursday, 11 February 2010 and if

required Friday, 12 February 2010

Main Committee Room Parliament House Canberra ACT

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#### **AGENDA**

#### WEDNESDAY, 10 February 2010

# **Defence portfolio**

9.00am–6.30pm Department of Defence

Opening statement by Secretary of Defence Opening statement by Chief of the Defence Force

Portfolio overview and budget summary

7.30pm-11.00pm: **DVA** 

**Outcome 1:** The protection and advancement of Australia's national interests through the provision of military capabilities

and promotion of security and stability

Program 1.1: Office of the Secretary and Chief of the Defence

Force

Program 1.9: Vice—Chief of the Defence Force Program 1.10: Joint Operations Command Program 1.12: Chief Finance Officer

**Outcome 2:** Advancement of Australia's strategic interests through the conduct of military operations and other tasks directed by Government

Program 2.1: Operations contributing to the security of the

immediate neighbourhood.

Program 2.2: Operations supporting wider interests

**Outcome 3:** Support to the Australian community and civilian authorities as requested by Government

Program 3.1: Defence contribution to national support tasks in Australia

#### **Defence funding and financial statements**

#### **Capability development**

#### Outcome 1

Program 1.11: Capability development

### **Defence Materiel Organisation**

**DMO Outcome 1:** Defence capabilities are supported through efficient and effective acquisition and through-life support of materiel

DMO program 1.1: Management of capability acquisition DMO program 1.2: Management of capability sustainment DMO program 1.3: Provision of policy advice and management services

#### Capital facilities and Defence support

#### Outcome 1

Program 1.6: Defence support

Program 1.14: Defence Force superannuation benefits

Program 1.15: Defence Force superannuation-nominal interest

#### **People**

#### Outcome 1

Program 1.13: People strategies and policy

#### **Remaining Defence output groups** Outcome 1

Program 1.2: Navy capabilities

Program 1.3: Army capabilities

Program 1.4: Air Force capabilities

Program 1.8: Chief Information Officer.

### 7.30pm-11.00pm

# **Department of Veterans' Affairs**

## Portfolio overview

## **Corporate and general matters**

Outcome 1: Compensation and support Maintain and enhance the financial wellbeing and self-sufficiency of eligible persons and their dependants through access to income support, compensation, and other support services, including advice and information about entitlements.

Program 1.1: Veterans' income support and allowances

Program 1.2: Veterans' disability support

Program 1.3: Assistance to Defence widow(er)s and dependants

Program 1.4: Assistance and other compensation for veterans and dependants

Program 1.5: Veterans' children education scheme

Program 1.6: Rehabilitation compensation acts payments—income support and compensation

Program 1.7: Adjustments to the rehabilitation compensation acts liability provisions—income support and compensation

**Outcome 2: Health** Maintain and enhance the physical wellbeing and quality of the life of eligible persons and their dependents through health and other care services that promote early intervention, prevention and treatment, including advice and information about health service entitlements.

Program 2.1: General medical consultations and services

Program 2.2: Veterans' hospital services

Program 2.3: Veterans' pharmaceutical benefits

Program 2.4: Veterans' community care and support

Program 2.5: Veterans' counselling and other health services.

Program 2.6: Rehabilitation compensation acts—health and counselling and other health services.

Program 2.7: Adjustment to the rehabilitation compensation acts liability provisions—health and counselling and other health services.

Outcome 3: Commemorations Acknowledgement and commemoration of those who served Australia and its allies in wars, conflicts and peace operations through promoting recognition of service and sacrifice, preservation of Australia's wartime heritage, and official commemorations.

Program 3.1: War graves and commemorations

Program 3.2: Gallipoli related activities

#### **Australian War Memorial**

**Outcome 1:** Australians remembering, interpreting and understanding the Australian experience of war and its enduring impact through maintaining and developing the national memorial, its collection exhibition of historical material, commemorative ceremonies and research.

Program 1.1: Commemorative ceremonies

Program 1.2: National memorial and grounds

Program 1.3: National collection

Program 1.4: Exhibitions

Program 1.5: Interpretive services

Program 1.6: Promotion and community services

Program 1.7: Research and information dissemination

Program 1.8: Visitor services.

#### THURSDAY, 11 February 2010

# Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio

## **Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**

Portfolio overview

9.00am-5.30pm: DFAT general issues.

8.30pm–11.00pm: Trade portfolio **Outcome 1:** The advancement of Australia's international strategic, security and economic interests including through bilateral, regional and multilateral engagement on Australian Government foreign and trade policies.

**Program 1.1:** Other departmental

Mongolia, Republic of Korea, Taiwan.]

5.30pm-6.30pm and 7.30pm-8.30pm:

7.30pm-8.30pm: AusAID

South-East Asia [Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos,

North Asia [China, Japan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam and ASEAN.]

Americas [Canada, USA, the Caribbean, South America (Latin America).]

**Europe** [Western, Eastern and Southern Europe, including Turkey and organisations such as European Union and NATO.]

**South and West Asia, Middle East and Africa** [South and West Asia: India, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan, Maldives. Middle East: Gulf States, Israel, Palestinian Territories, Iraq, Iran. African countries: South Africa, Sudan, Zimbabwe and all other African countries.]

**Pacific** [New Zealand, Fiji, Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, Tonga, Nauru, Samoa, Kiribati, Vanuatu; Pacific Islands Forum.]

**International organisations and legal issues** [International law, sea law, environment law, climate change, treaties, sanctions, transnational crime, domestic and administrative law, United Nations, Commonwealth, human rights, indigenous issues, people smuggling, refugees.]

**National security, nuclear disarmament and non–proliferation** [Arms control, counter-proliferation, counter-terrorism, regional and national security.]

- \* Bilateral, regional and multilateral trade negotiations
  [Free trade agreements, agriculture, services and intellectual property, WTO, trade law, trade policy, trade commitments.]
- \* Trade development/policy coordination and Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation [APEC, international economy and finance, market information, trade advocacy, trade finance, liaison and analysis, OECD, UNCTAD.]

**Program 1.2:** Payment to international organisations (administered) **Program 1.3:** Public information services and public diplomacy (administered) [Expositions Special Account–Shanghai Expo, Australia Network, International Relations Grants Program]

**Program 1.4:** Other administered items—DFAT [Payments to Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act, including EFIC, Hosting 35<sup>th</sup> Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting]

**Outcome 2:** The protection and welfare of Australians abroad and access to secure international travel documentation through timely and responsive travel advice and consular and passport services overseas.

Program 2.1 and 2.3: Consular services

**Program 2.2 and 2.4:** Passport services

**Outcome 3**: A secure Australian Government presence overseas through the provision of security services and information and communications technology infrastructure, and the management of the Commonwealth's overseas owned estate.

**Program 3.1:** Other departmental [Overseas physical security, Overseas IT support]

**Program 3.2:** Overseas property.

### **Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)**

# 5.30pm-6.30pm and 7.30pm-8.30pm

**Outcome 1:** To assist developing countries to reduce poverty and achieve sustainable development, in line with Australia's national interest.

**Program 1.1:** Official development assistance–PNG and Pacific

**Program 1.2:** Official development assistance–East Asia

**Program 1.3:** Official development assistance—Africa, South and Central Asia, Middle East and other

**Program 1.4:** Official development assistance–Emergency, humanitarian and refugee programs

**Program 1.5:** Official development assistance–Multilateral replenishments

**Program 1.6:** Official development assistance—UN, Commonwealth and other international organisations

**Program 1.7:** Official development assistance–NGO, volunteer and community programs.

**Outcome 2:** Australia's national interest advanced by implementing a partnership between Australia and Indonesia for reconstruction and development.

Program 2.1: East Asia.

#### 8.30pm-11.00pm

### **Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)**

## Trade portfolio: Austrade and DFAT trade programs

**Outcome 1:** Advance Australia's trade and investment interests through information, advice and services to businesses, industry and governments.

**Program 1.1:** Trade and investment development

**Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade** 

**Program 1.2:** Trade development schemes (Export Market

Development Grants)

**Outcome 2:** The protection and welfare of Australians abroad through timely and responsive consular and passport services in specific locations overseas.

Program 2.1: Consular, passport services.

### 8.30pm-11.00pm

### **Trade programs**

## Trade portfolio: Austrade and DFAT trade programs

# \* Bilateral, regional and multilateral trade negotiations [Free trade agreements, agriculture, services and intellectual property

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market information, trade advocacy, trade finance, liaison and analysis,

OECD, UNCTAD. Expositions Special Account–Shanghai Expo, Australia Network, International Relations Grants Program]

Start 9.00am 10.30am—10.45am Morning tea

**12.30pm–1.30pm**3.30pm–3.45pm

Lunch
Afternoon tea

6.30pm-7.30pm Dinner

9.00pm–9.15pm Tea break, as required
Adjourn 11.00pm approx

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