

The Senate

BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE

Public Hearings: Budget Estimates for 2009–2010

Monday 1 June to Thursday 4 June 2009

**Main Committee Room
Parliament House
Canberra ACT**

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AGENDA

MONDAY, 1 JUNE and TUESDAY, 2 JUNE 2009

Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

**Monday, 1 June
2009**

**9.00am–11.00pm:
DFAT *general
issues.***

**Tuesday, 2 June
2009**

**9.00am–12.30pm:
DFAT *general issues*
[cont].**

**1.30pm–2.30pm:
ACIAR**

**2.30pm–6.30pm
AusAID**

**7.30pm–8.30pm:
Austrade**

**8.30pm–10.00pm:
DFAT *trade issues****

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

North Asia [China, Japan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Mongolia, Republic of Korea, Taiwan.]

South–East Asia [Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, 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.]

Services to other agencies

[Services to Parliament, attached agencies, business, state governments and other agencies overseas and in Australia.]

Services to diplomatic/consular representatives

[Protocol, privileges and immunities, protection.]

*** 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 35th 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 Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR)

Tuesday, 2 June
1.30pm–2.30pm

Outcome 1: Agriculture in developing countries and Australia is more productive and sustainable as a result of better technologies, practices, policies and systems.

Program 1: International agricultural research and development.

Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID)

Tuesday, 2 June
2.30pm–6.30pm

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.

Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)

Tuesday, 2 June
7.30pm–8.30pm

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

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.

Tuesday, 2 June
8.30pm–10.00pm

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade [in continuation]
Trade programs

WEDNESDAY, 3 JUNE and THURSDAY, 4 JUNE 2009

Defence portfolio

Department of Defence

Wednesday,
3 June
9.00am–11.00pm

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

Portfolio overview and budget summary

Thursday, 4 June
9.00am–6.00pm:
Defence [cont]
6.00pm–6.30pm:
DHA
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

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 1.5: Intelligence capabilities

Program 1.7: Defence science and technology

Program 1.8: Chief Information Officer.

Thursday, 4 June

6.00pm–6.30pm

Defence Housing Australia

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 dependants 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.

Thursday, 4 June

7.30pm–11.00pm

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

Outcome 4: Service delivery

Program 4.1: Communications, community support and development services

Program 4.2: Advice and information services under the SRCA

Program 4.3: Advice and information services under the MRCA.

Outcome 5: Defence Force services

5.1: Joint Defence/DVA projects.

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.

Start 9.00am	10.30am–10.45am	Morning tea
	12.30pm–1.30pm	Lunch
	3.30pm–3.45pm	Afternoon tea
	6.30pm–7.30pm	Dinner
	9.00pm–9.15pm	Tea break, as required
		Adjourn 11.00pm approx