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**1 MEETING OF SENATE**

The Senate met at 2 pm. The President (Senator the Honourable Paul Calvert) took the chair and read prayers.

**2 GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS**

The following government documents were tabled:

- Australia Council—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Electoral Commission—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Film Commission—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Film, Television and Radio School—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Fisheries Management Authority—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Greenhouse Office—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Industrial Relations Commission and Australian Industrial Registry—Reports for 2001-02.
- Australian Postal Corporation (Australia Post)—Statement of corporate intent 2002/03-2004/05.
- Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation Office—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Sports Commission—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Strategic Policy Institute Limited—Report for the period 22 August 2001 to 30 June 2002.
- Australian Trade Commission (AUSTRADE)—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)—Report for 2001-02.
- Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation—Report for 2001-02.
- Bundanon Trust—Report for 2001-02.
- Centrelink—Report for 2001-02.
- CrimTrac Agency—Report for 2001-02.
- Dairy Adjustment Authority—Report for 2001-02.
- Dairy Research and Development Corporation and Dairy Research and Development Corporation Selection Committee—Reports for 2001-02.
- Defence Housing Authority—Report for 2001-02.
- Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet—Report for 2001-02.
- Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC)—Report for 2001-02.
- Film Australia Limited—Report for 2001-02.
- Film Finance Corporation Australia Limited—Report for 2001-02.
- Fisheries Research and Development Corporation—Report for 2001-02.
- Grains Research and Development Corporation—Report for 2001-02.

Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation and Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation Selection Committee—Reports for 2001-02.

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission—Report—Visits to immigration detention facilities by the Human Rights Commissioner 2001, August 2002.

Indigenous Land Corporation—

National Indigenous Land Strategy—Changes to strategy, 18 September 2002.  
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Land and Water Resources Research and Development Corporation (Land and Water Australia) and Land and Water Australia Selection Committee—Reports for 2001-02.

National Archives of Australia and National Archives of Australia Advisory Council—Reports for 2001-02.

National Gallery of Australia—Report for 2001-02.

National Library of Australia—Report for 2001-02.

National Registration Authority for Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals—Report for 2001-02.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation and Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation Selection Committee—Reports for 2001-02.

Sugar Research and Development Corporation and Sugar Research and Development Corporation Selection Committee—Reports for 2001-02.

### 3 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were answered.

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*Document:* The Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison) tabled the following document:

*Australian Federal Police Act 1979*—Copies of—

Ministerial direction, dated 25 February 1999.

Ministerial direction (Supplementary), dated 27 September 2000.

### 4 TAXATION—HOUSEHOLD DEBT—FINANCE—EXECUTIVE REMUNERATION—ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Senator Conroy moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer (Senator Coonan) and the Minister for Finance and Administration (Senator Minchin) to questions without notice asked by Senators Webber, Kirk and Conroy today relating to taxation, to household debt and to remuneration for chief executive officers.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

**5 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT—ANSWER TO QUESTION**

Senator Greig moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison) to a question without notice asked by Senator Greig today relating to judicial nominations for the International Criminal Court.

Question put and passed.

**6 PETITION**

The following petition, lodged with the Clerk by Senator Stott Despoja, was received:

From 1 067 petitioners, requesting that the Senate support the Australian Democrats' motion opposing Australia's involvement in pre-emptive military action or a first strike against Iraq and call on the Government to pursue diplomatic initiatives towards disarmament in Iraq, and worldwide.

**7 NOTICES**

*Notices of motion:*

The Chair of the Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee (Senator George Campbell): To move on the next day of sitting—That the time for the presentation of reports of the Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee be extended as follows:

- (a) education of students with disabilities—to 5 December 2002; and
- (b) small business employment—to 12 December 2002. (*general business notice of motion no. 219*)

Senator Mason: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters be authorised to hold public meetings during the sittings of the Senate on Monday, 11 November 2002, from 7.15 pm, and on Monday, 2 December 2002, from 7.15 pm, to take evidence for the committee's inquiry into the conduct of the 2001 federal election. (*general business notice of motion no. 220*)

The Chair of the Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee (Senator George Campbell): To move on the next day of sitting—That the following matters be referred to the Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in June 2003:

- (a) areas of skills shortage and labour demand in different areas and locations, with particular emphasis on projecting future skills requirements;
- (b) the effectiveness of current Commonwealth, state and territory education, training and employment policies, and programs and mechanisms for meeting current and future skills needs, and any recommended improvements;
- (c) the effectiveness of industry strategies to meet current and emerging skill needs;
- (d) the performance and capacity of Job Network to match skills availability with labour-market needs on a regional basis and the need for improvements;
- (e) strategies to anticipate the vocational education and training needs flowing from industry restructuring and redundancies, and any recommended improvements; and

- (f) consultation arrangements with industry, unions and the community on labour-market trends and skills demand in particular, and any recommended appropriate changes.

Senator Ridgeway: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) Mrs Valerie Linow, an Aboriginal woman from New South Wales, was removed from her family at the age of 2 years and placed in children's homes in Bomaderry and then Cootamundra,
  - (ii) at the age of 14, Mrs Linow was placed on a rural property in New South Wales by the Aborigines Welfare Board and employed as a domestic worker,
  - (iii) Mrs Linow is the first member of the stolen generations to be awarded monetary compensation for the psychological trauma she suffered as a result of sexual assaults that occurred when she was employed as a domestic worker, and
  - (iv) by awarding Mrs Linow compensation of \$35 000, the New South Wales Victims Compensation Tribunal is distinguished as the first judicial body in Australia's history to award compensation to a member of the stolen generations for harm that occurred while in state care;
- (b) acknowledges that the success of Mrs Linow's case may give hope to other members of the stolen generations who suffered a similar fate and validate their conviction that the harm done to them does warrant and deserve compensation;
- (c) regrets that the Government has provided members of the stolen generations no alternative to the adversarial, costly and protracted court system for the resolution of their claims, with the result that many claims will continue to be defeated because of the applicants' inability to produce the necessary documentation or the witnesses to substantiate their claims; and
- (d) calls on the Government to:
  - (i) reconsider its opposition to the establishment of a more humane and compassionate response, particularly for those members of the stolen generations who have suffered harm as a consequence of the act of removal, and
  - (ii) establish a reparations tribunal for the stolen generations, as recommended in the Legal and Constitutional References Committee report on the stolen generations, *Healing: A Legacy of Generations*, the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission, the Public Interest Advocacy Centre and the National Sorry Day Committee. (*general business notice of motion no. 221*)

Senator Allison: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) the Gembrook Primary School has for the past 100 years had only two permanent classrooms, even when the school population has been around 300,
  - (ii) the Gembrook Primary School population has been around 170 children for the past 3 years and is increasing each year,

- (iii) the Victorian State Government's school infrastructure policy for the ratio of permanent and portable classrooms is 80:20,
  - (iv) the Victorian State Government does not provide funding for the maintenance of portable classrooms, instead replacing them when the repair bill is more than 5 per cent of the cost of replacement, and
  - (v) as a result the Gembrook Primary School, receives no maintenance funding for most of its classrooms;
- (b) calls on the Victorian State Government to provide Gembrook Primary School with four new permanent classrooms, bringing the capacity of its permanent classrooms to 150;
  - (c) recognises that there are many thousands of students housed in inadequate portable classrooms Australia-wide; and
  - (d) calls on the Federal Government to provide more funds for urgently needed, basic capital works in government schools. (*general business notice of motion no. 222*)

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Troeth): To move on the next day of sitting—That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (7) of standing order 111 not apply to the Workplace Relations Amendment (Fair Dismissal) Bill 2002 [No. 2], allowing it to be considered during this period of sittings.

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*Document:* Senator Troeth tabled the following document:

Consideration of legislation—Statement of reasons for introduction and passage of the Workplace Relations Amendment (Fair Dismissal) Bill 2002 [No. 2] in the 2002 spring sittings.

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Senator Crossin: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the signing of the 1997 National Communiqué to Progress Indigenous Justice Issues by the Northern Territory Government confirming its commitment to reducing the over-representation of Indigenous people in all stages of the criminal justice system;
- (b) recognises that the 1997 communiqué commits all signatories to addressing customary law and its relationship with the criminal justice system;
- (c) notes that, in accordance with Australian and international law, Aboriginal customary law should be recognised consistently with universally-recognised human rights and fundamental freedoms; and
- (d) acknowledges that the Northern Territory Government is working in partnership with Indigenous people in moving to conduct an inquiry into Aboriginal customary law and its relationship with the criminal justice system. (*general business notice of motion no. 223*)

Senator Nettle: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the rally in Sydney on 22 October 2002 of the Korean Solidarity for Human Rights Group, which is demanding an apology for the imprisonment in high security jails of two Korean asylum seekers who were neither convicted nor charged with any offence;

- (b) condemns the transfer of asylum seekers into the regular prison system as contrary to the strong tradition in Australia of, and legal commitment to, civil and human rights that protect individuals from imprisonment without conviction or charge; and
- (c) calls on the Government to end this practice immediately, bringing Australia back in line with commitments under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. (*general business notice of motion no. 224*)

*Intention to withdraw:* Senator Greig, pursuant to standing order 78, gave notice of his intention, at the giving of notices on the next day of sitting, to withdraw business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1 standing in his name for 24 October 2002 for the disallowance of the Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 1), as contained in Statutory Rules 2002 No. 144 and made under the *Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Act 1989*.

## 8 POSTPONEMENTS

Items of business were postponed as follows:

Business of the Senate notice of motion no. 2 standing in the name of Senator O'Brien for today, relating to the disallowance of the Civil Aviation Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 2), postponed till 11 November 2002.

Government business notice of motion no. 1 standing in the name of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer (Senator Ian Campbell) for today, relating to a variation to the days and hours of meeting and routine of business for the first sitting week in November, postponed till 23 October 2002.

Government business notice of motion no. 2 standing in the name of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer (Senator Ian Campbell) for today, relating to a variation to the hours of meeting and routine of business for 23 October and 24 October 2002, postponed till 23 October 2002.

Government business notice of motion no. 3 standing in the name of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer (Senator Ian Campbell) for today, relating to the consideration of legislation, postponed till 23 October 2002.

## 9 ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING

Senator Ferris, at the request of the Chair of the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee (Senator Eggleston) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 216—That the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee be authorised to hold a public meeting during the sitting of the Senate on Tuesday, 22 October 2002, from 7.30 pm, to take evidence for the committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Telecommunications Competition Bill 2002.

Question put and passed.



**10 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—  
EXTENSIONS OF TIME TO REPORT**

Senator Ferris, at the request of the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (Senator Heffernan) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 218—That the time for the presentation of reports of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee be extended as follows:

- (a) provisions of the Egg Industry Service Provision Bill 2002 and a related bill—to 23 October 2002; and
- (b) Australian meat industry and export quotas—to 13 November 2002.

Question put and passed.

**11 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—IRAQ—MILITARY ACTION**

Senator Stott Despoja amended her notice of motion by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 110—That the Senate calls upon the Government to rule out Australia's involvement in any pre-emptive military action, or first strike, against Iraq or any other country without clear-cut evidence that that country's support for international terrorism or its weapons of mass destruction capability and threat represent a real and present danger to our collective security.

Question put and passed.

**12 PRIVILEGES—STANDING COMMITTEE—109TH REPORT**

The Chair of the Standing Committee of Privileges (Senator Ray) tabled the following report:

Privileges—Standing Committee—109th report—Person referred to in the Senate (Mr Tony Kevin), dated October 2002.

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Ray.

Senator Ray, by leave, moved—That the report be adopted.

Question put and passed.

*Response as recommended by the committee incorporated in Hansard accordingly.*

**13 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—ADDITIONAL  
INFORMATION—BUDGET ESTIMATES 2002-03**

Senator Ferris, at the request of the Chair of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee (Senator Sandy Macdonald), tabled additional information received by the committee (Budget estimates 2002-03—vols 1 to 3)

**14 DOCUMENTS**

The following documents were tabled by the Clerk:

Australian Research Council Act—Determination No. 14—Determinations under section 51, dated 24 September 2002 and 2 October 2002 [5].

Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act—Notice under paragraph 45(1)(c)—Membership of Aboriginal Hostels Limited.

Criminal Code Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 2002 Nos 248 and 249.

**15 ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPORT**

The Chair of the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee (Senator Allison), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 217—That the time for the presentation of the report of the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee on urban water management be extended to 19 November 2002.

Question put and passed.

**16 DISABILITY SERVICES—MOTION FOR DISALLOWANCE**

Senator Forshaw, pursuant to notice, moved business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1—That Standard 9: Employment conditions, in item 9 of Schedule 1 of the Disability Services (Disability Employment and Rehabilitation Program) Standards 2002, made under paragraphs 5A(1)(b) and (c) and subsection 5A(2) of the *Disability Services Act 1986*, be disallowed.

Debate ensued.

Question put and negatived.

**17 POSTPONEMENT**

Senator Buckland, by leave and at the request of the Leader of the Australian Democrats (Senator Bartlett) and Senator McLucas, moved—That business of the Senate notice of motion no. 3 standing in the names of Senators Bartlett and McLucas for today, relating to the disallowance of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 5), be postponed till the next day of sitting.

Question put and passed.

**18 ECONOMICS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—REPORT—PUBLIC LIABILITY AND PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE**

Pursuant to order, the Chair of the Economics References Committee (Senator Collins), tabled the following report and documents:

Economics References Committee—A review of public liability and professional indemnity insurance—Report, dated October 2002, *Hansard* record of proceedings, [5 vols], documents presented to the committee and submissions [166].

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Collins.

Senator Collins, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the report.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, the Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer (Senator Coonan) in continuation.

**19 ECONOMICS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2002 [AND] CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2002**

Pursuant to order, Senator McGauran, at the request of the Chair of the Economics Legislation Committee (Senator Brandis), tabled the following report and documents:

Economics Legislation Committee—Excise Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002 [and] Customs Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002—Report, dated October 2002, *Hansard* record of proceedings, document presented to the committee and submissions [16].

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McGauran.

**20 ORDER OF BUSINESS—REARRANGEMENT**

The Minister for Revenue and Assistant Treasurer (Senator Coonan) moved—That intervening business be postponed till after consideration of government business order of the day no. 2 (Vocational Education and Training Funding Amendment Bill 2002).

Question put and passed.

**21 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUNDING AMENDMENT BILL 2002**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer (Senator Ian Campbell)—That this bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Senator Carr moved the following amendment:

At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate condemns the Government for:

- (a) failing to develop comprehensive transition strategies to assist young people, thereby abandoning at least 205 300 15 to 19 year olds, placing them at risk of not making a successful transition from school to work;
- (b) failing to keep its election promise to young people to provide a comprehensive response in the 2002 Budget to the Youth Pathways Report;
- (c) failing to address youth unemployment, which is on the rise;
- (d) refusing to acknowledge the substantial adverse impact that the Government’s welfare reform initiatives are having on TAFE;
- (e) failing to take a holistic approach to the needs of Indigenous Australians, resulting in a decline in participation in courses leading to a qualification; and
- (f) the Minister’s double standards in espousing concern for the welfare of young Australians but failing to take any meaningful action to invest in their training needs, and

further notes that state and territory Labor governments have made significant achievements in the implementation of vocational education and training in schools while the Commonwealth has refused to provide growth funding, making the Labor states and territories the leaders in this field”.

Debate ensued.

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

Main question, as amended, put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

No amendments to the bill were circulated and no senator required that it be considered in committee.

The Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts (Senator Alston) moved—That this bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

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At 6.50 pm—

## 22 GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS—CONSIDERATION

The following government documents tabled earlier today (*see entry no. 2*) were considered:

Film Finance Corporation Australia Limited—Report for 2001-02. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator Marshall. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator Marshall in continuation.

International Air Services Commission—Report for 2001-02. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator Marshall. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator Marshall in continuation.

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National Gallery of Australia—Report for 2001-02. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator Marshall. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator Marshall in continuation.

National Library of Australia—Report for 2001-02. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator Tierney. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator Tierney in continuation.

Australian Film Commission—Report for 2001-02. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator Marshall. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator Marshall in continuation.

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Indigenous Land Corporation—National Indigenous Land Strategy—Changes to strategy, 18 September 2002. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator Marshall. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator Marshall in continuation.

**23 ADJOURNMENT**

The President proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Senate adjourned at 8 pm till Wednesday, 23 October 2002 at 9.30 am.

**24 ATTENDANCE**

Present, all senators except Senators Denman\*, Harris and Patterson (\* on leave).

**HARRY EVANS**  
Clerk of the Senate