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1 MEETING OF SENATE
The Senate met at 9.30 am. The President (Senator the Honourable Paul Calvert) took the chair and read prayers.

2 GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS
The following government documents were tabled:
Advisory Panel on the marketing of infant formula in Australia—Reports—Corrigenda—
2000-01.
Department of Employment and Workplace Relations—Report for 2001-02—Corrigendum.
Native Title Act—Native title representative bodies—Reports for 2001-02—
Goldfields Land and Sea Council.
Queensland South Representative Body Aboriginal Corporation.
Productivity Commission—Reports—
2001-02.

3 TRANSPORT—ETHANOL—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—STATEMENT BY LEAVE
The Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer (Senator Ian Campbell), by leave, made a statement relating to the order of the Senate of 16 October 2002 for the production of documents concerning an ethanol excise and production subsidy (see entry no. 19, 16 October 2002).

Statements by leave: Senators O’Brien, Harris and Ian Campbell, by leave, made statements relating to the matter.

4 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—IRAQ—GOVERNMENT POLICY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—CENSURE
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Defence (Senator Hill)—That the Senate take note of the statement—and on the amendment moved by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Faulkner):

At the end of the motion, add “and:
(a) censure the Government for forward-deploying Australian troops to a potential theatre of war with Iraq in the absence of any United Nations authorisation and without revealing to the Australian people the commitments on which that deployment was based;

(b) declare its opposition to a unilateral military attack on Iraq by the United States;

(c) insist that the disarmament of Iraq proceed under the authority of the United Nations;

(d) express its full support and confidence in our service men and women, while expressing its opposition to the Government’s decision to forward-deploy them;

(e) express its total opposition to any use of nuclear arms and declare that Australian support should not be provided to any operation where such weaponry may be used; and

(f) declare that it has no confidence in the Prime Minister’s handling of this grave matter for the nation”.

And on the amendment moved by the Leader of the Australian Democrats (Senator Bartlett to Senator Faulkner’s proposed amendment:

At the end of the amendment, add “and that the terms of this motion be communicated to the governments of all members of the United Nations Security Council”.

Debate resumed.

Question—That Senator Bartlett’s amendment to Senator Faulkner’s proposed amendment be agreed to—put and negatived. Senators Brown and Nettle, by leave, recorded their votes for the ayes.

Senator Brown moved the following amendment to Senator Faulkner’s proposed amendment:

Omit paragraphs (e) and (f), substitute:

(e) express its total opposition to any use of nuclear arms;

(f) oppose Australian involvement in an attack on Iraq; and

(g) declare that it has no confidence in the Prime Minister because of his handling of this grave matter for the nation.

Question—That Senator Brown’s amendment to Senator Faulkner’s proposed amendment be agreed to—put.

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 10**

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Question negatived.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 33**

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Question agreed to.

Main question, as amended, put.
The Senate divided—

### AYES, 34

- Allison
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- Bishop
- Bolkus
- Brown
- Buckland
- Campbell, George
- Carr
- Cherry
- Conroy
- Crossin (Teller)
- Denman
- Evans
- Faulkner
- Forshaw
- Greig
- Hogg
- Kirk
- Lees
- Ludwig
- Lundy
- Mackay
- Murphy
- Murray
- Nettle
- Reason
- Ridgeway
- Sherry
- Stephens
- Stott Despoja
- Webber
- Wong

### NOES, 31

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- Ellison
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- Heffernan
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- Knowles
- Lightfoot
- Mason
- McGauran
- Minchin
- Patterson
- Payne
- O’Brien
- Santoro
- Scullion
- Tchen
- Tierney
- Troeth
- Vanstone
- Watson

Question agreed to.

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### After 12.45 pm—

#### 5 MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST

Matters of public interest were discussed.

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**Document:** Senator Murray, by leave, tabled the following document:


Further matters of public interest were discussed.

**Suspension of sitting:** On the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Regional Services (Senator Boswell) the sitting of the Senate was suspended till 2 pm.

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### At 2 pm—

#### 6 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were answered.
7 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS—IRAQ—MILITARY ACTION—ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS**

The Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Faulkner) moved—that the Senate take note of the answers given by the Minister for Defence (Senator Hill) to questions without notice asked today relating to military action against Iraq. Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The Leader of the Australian Democrats (Senator Bartlett) moved—that the Senate take note of the answers given by the Minister for Defence (Senator Hill) to questions without notice asked by Senator Bartlett today relating to military action against Iraq. Question put and passed.

8 **PARLIAMENT HOUSE—SECURITY MATTERS—STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT**

The President made a statement relating to changes to security arrangements for Parliament House and the parliamentary precincts.

9 **PETITIONS**

The following 3 petitions, lodged with the Clerk by the senators indicated, were received:

Senators Bartlett and Stott Despoja, from 41 and 19 petitioners, respectively, 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.

Senator Webber, from 10 petitioners, requesting that the Senate take action to reject deregulation of university fees, increase funding to bring Australia’s university sector in line with average OECD expenditure, re-introduce a system of HECS equity scholarships and establish an inquiry into student poverty.

10 **NOTICES**

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 the report of the Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee on the refusal of the Government to respond to the order of the Senate of 21 August 2002 for the production of documents relating to financial information concerning higher education institutions be extended to 15 May 2003. (general business notice of motion no. 339)

The Chair of the Legal and Constitutional References Committee (Senator Bolkus): To move on the next day of sitting—that the time for the presentation of the report of the Legal and Constitutional References Committee on progress towards national reconciliation be extended to 17 June 2003. (general business notice of motion no. 340)

Senator Carr: To move on the next day of sitting—that the Senate condemns the Government for:

(a) its failure to respect the rights of the people of South Australia in its consultation process over the location of the planned low-level radioactive waste repository;

(b) its decision to replace effective and meaningful consultation and discussion with a $300 000 propaganda campaign, designed to sway the opinions of South Australians towards locating the repository in that state, in the absence of genuine efforts to provide accurate and exhaustive information on the suitability of the selected site, close to Woomera; and
(c) its lack of a thorough examination of the environmental impact of this plan, in particular the possible dangers caused by the site’s proximity to the Woomera rocket range, and the serious concerns of both the Department of Defence and private contractors on this issue. (general business notice of motion no. 341)

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

(a) notes:

(i) that the Government is yet to respond to the unanimous July 2001 report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on the national Ovine Johne’s Disease Program,

(ii) that the administration of the program continues to cause severe hardship for sheep producers in New South Wales, and

(iii) that more than 1,000 sheep producers in Forbes, New South Wales, on 3 February 2003 passed a vote of no confidence in the handling of the disease in New South Wales; and

(b) calls on:

(i) the Federal Government to immediately respond to the Senate report, and

(ii) the New South Wales Government to address the legitimate concerns raised in the report about bureaucratic overreaction in the program that has resulted in excessive and unnecessarily harsh social and economic effects on producers and rural communities. (general business notice of motion no. 342)

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

(a) notes that the term of Michael Kroger as an Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) director expired on 5 February 2003; and

(b) calls on the Government to ensure that the next person appointed as an ABC director has expertise in broadcasting or communications in line with the spirit of section 12 of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Act 1983, rather than political connections. (general business notice of motion no. 343)

The Chairman of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Tchen): To move 15 sitting days after today—That the Bankruptcy Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 1), as contained in Statutory Rules 2002 No. 255 and made under the Bankruptcy Act 1966, be disallowed.

Senator Tchen, by leave, made a statement relating to the notice of motion.

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

(a) notes, with alarm, the report on the SBS Dateline program that International Organisation for Migration staff stopped providing services to an asylum seeker detention camp on Nauru, leaving detainees with no running water and only enough food for one meal a day, and needing to boil milk that had passed its use by date; and

(b) calls on the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs (Mr Ruddock) to immediately close the detention centres on Nauru and Manus Island and bring the remaining asylum seekers to Australia for processing. (general business notice of motion no. 344)

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

(a) calls on the Prime Minister (Mr Howard) to personally convey to the President of the United States of America (Mr Bush) and the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom (Mr Blair) Australia’s total and unreserved opposition to the threat or use of nuclear weapons in Iraq; and
(b) asks the Prime Minister to make public the leaders’ responses to this message from Australia. (general business notice of motion no. 345)

11 SELECTION OF BILLS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 1 OF 2003

The Chairman of the Selection of Bills Committee (Senator Ferris) tabled the following report:

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 1 OF 2003

1. The committee met on Tuesday, 4 February 2003.

2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—

   (a) the provisions of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Superannuation (Financial Assistance Funding) Levy Amendment Bill 2002 be referred immediately to the Select Committee on Superannuation for inquiry and report by 19 March 2003;

   (b) the provisions of the Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002 be referred immediately to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee but was unable to reach agreement on a reporting date; and

   (c) the following bills not be referred to committees:

         Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
         Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002
         Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2002 [2003]
         Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Members of Local Government Bodies) Bill 2002
         Crimes Legislation Enhancement Bill 2002 [2003]
         Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002
         Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
         Medical Indemnity (Prudential Supervision and Product Standards) Bill 2002
         Medical Indemnity (Prudential Supervision and Product Standards) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002
         National Blood Authority Bill 2002
         National Residue Survey (Customs) Levy Amendment Bill 2002
         National Residue Survey (Excise) Levy Amendment Bill 2002
         Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry (Bali Bombings) Bill 2002
         Public Interest Disclosure (Protection of Whistleblowers) Bill 2002
         Snowy Hydro Corporatisation Amendment Bill 2002
         Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2002.

   The committee recommends accordingly.

3. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to the next meeting:

   Bill deferred from meeting of 20 August 2002

   Bills deferred from meeting of 12 November 2002
   Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2002
Bills deferred from meeting of 19 November 2002
Workplace Relations Amendment (Award Simplification) Bill 2002
Workplace Relations Amendment (Choice in Award Coverage) Bill 2002.

Bill deferred from meeting of 3 December 2002
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment
(Invasive Species) Bill 2002.

Bills deferred from meeting of 10 December 2002
Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 8) 2002
Workplace Relations Amendment (Prohibition of Compulsory Union Fees) Bill 2002 [No. 2].

Bills deferred from meeting of 4 February 2003
Corporations Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2002
Corporations (Review Fees) Bill 2002
Criminal Code Amendment (Terrorism) Bill 2002
Designs Bill 2002
Designs (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002
Health Insurance Amendment (Diagnostic Imaging, Radiation Oncology and Other Measures) Bill 2002
Migration Legislation Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2002
New Business Tax System (Consolidation and Other Measures) Bill (No. 2) 2002
New Business Tax System (Venture Capital Deficit Tax) Bill 2002
Terrorism Insurance Bill 2002.

Jeannie Ferris
Chair
5 February 2003.

Senator Ferris moved—That the report be adopted.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer (Senator Ian Campbell) moved the following amendment:

At the end of the motion, add “and, in respect of the Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002, the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee report on 20 March 2003”.

Debate ensued.

Senator O’Brien moved the following amendment to Senator Ian Campbell’s proposed amendment:

Omit “20 March 2003”, substitute “15 May 2003”.

Question—That Senator O’Brien’s amendment to Senator Ian Campbell’s proposed amendment be agreed to—put and negatived. All opposition senators, by leave, recorded their votes for the ayes.

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

Main question, as amended, put and passed.

12 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator Ferris, by leave, moved—that leave of absence be granted to Senator Johnston for the period 4 February to 6 February 2003, on account of parliamentary business interstate.

Question put and passed.
Senator Mackay, by leave, moved—That leave of absence be granted to Senator McLucas from 4 February to 5 February 2003 and to Senator Marshall from 4 February to 6 February 2003, on account of parliamentary business.
Question put and passed.

13 POSTPONEMENTS

Items of business were postponed as follows:

- Business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1 standing in the name of Senator Brown for today, relating to the reference of bills to the Economics Legislation Committee, postponed till 6 February 2003.
- General business notice of motion no. 1, under committee reports and government responses, standing in the name of the Chair of the Standing Committee of Senators’ Interests (Senator Denman) for 6 February 2003, proposing amendments to the resolutions on senators’ interests, postponed till 6 March 2003.
- General business notice of motion no. 290 standing in the name of Senator Harris for today, relating to the appointment of an independent assessor to examine documents seized under warrant by Queensland Police from the office of Senator Harris, postponed till 4 March 2003.
- General business notice of motion no. 327 standing in the name of Senator Stott Despoja for today, relating to the commercial release of genetically-engineered crops, postponed till 6 February 2003.
- General business notice of motion no. 330 standing in the name of Senator Forshaw for today, relating to Australian Film Institute awards, postponed till 6 February 2003.
- General business notice of motion no. 333 standing in the name of Senator Brown for today, relating to the allocation of questions, postponed till 5 March 2003.

14 ENVIRONMENT—NATIONAL RADIOACTIVE WASTE REPOSITORY—ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Senator Allison, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 335—That there be laid on the table, no later than 4 pm on Thursday, 6 February 2003, the submission or submissions made by the Department of Defence to the Environment Impact Assessment for a National Radioactive Waste Repository in South Australia.
Question put and passed.

Senator Allison, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 336—That there be laid on the table, no later than 4 pm on Monday, 3 March 2003, all documents relating to the records and communications between the Department of Defence and the Department of Education, Science and Training concerning the Government’s consideration of a National Radioactive Waste Repository in South Australia.
Question put and passed.
15 **CULTURE AND THE ARTS—AUSTRALIAN FILM INDUSTRY AWARDS**

Senator Forshaw, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 329—That the Senate—

(a) congratulates David Gulpilil, AM for winning the Best Actor award at the recent Australian Film Institute (AFI) awards for his performance in the movie, *The Tracker*;

(b) recognises David Gulpilil’s outstanding contribution to the Australian film industry for more than 30 years;

(c) congratulates all other winners of AFI awards, especially Maria Theodorakis who won the Best Actress award; and

(d) recognises the important ongoing support provided by the Australian Film Finance Corporation to our film industry.

Question put and passed.

16 **WATERFALL TRAIN DISASTER**

Senator Forshaw, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 334—That the Senate—

(a) extends its condolences to the families, relatives and friends of the persons who died in the tragic train disaster near Waterfall, New South Wales, on Friday, 31 January 2003;

(b) expresses its best wishes for a speedy recovery to those injured in the disaster; and

(c) acknowledges the dedication of the emergency services personnel and medical and hospital staff who responded to the tragedy and worked under great difficulty to rescue passengers and provide them with assistance and comfort.

Question put and passed.

17 **DEATH OF PRINCE OF WALES MIDPUL**

Senator Ridgeway, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 337—That the Senate—

(a) notes, with sadness, the passing on 27 December 2002 at the age of 67, of Prince of Wales Midpul, an Elder of the Larrakia people of the Darwin region, who was an exceptional dancer, didgeridoo player, songman and artist;

(b) pays tribute to Midpul as one of the Northern Territory’s most renowned artists, who was best known outside his community for his powerful, minimalist paintings, called ‘Body Marks’, which depicted Larrakia body designs from the ceremonies, dances and songs for which he was one of the principal custodians;

(c) notes that Midpul only began painting in 1995-96, yet his works hang in many of Australia’s foremost public and private collections, including the National Gallery of Australia, the National Gallery of Victoria and the Art Gallery of NSW, and he was the recipient of the Telstra Open Painting Award at the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards in 2001; and

(d) remembers Midpul’s long struggle, along with other members of his family, to achieve land rights for the Larrakia people, including the successful land claims for Kulaluk and Kenbi, and thanks his family for their permission to refer to him by name in recognition of his outstanding achievements as an artist and community leader.

Question put and passed.
18 CULTURE AND THE ARTS—MR ALBERT NAMATJIRA—COPYRIGHT

Senator Ridgeway, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 338—That the Senate—

(a) pays tribute to Mr Albert Namatjira as the first Indigenous professional artist in Australia, who was born one hundred years ago and died in 1959, after achieving national and international acclaim for his exceptional ability as an artist;

(b) acknowledges that Namatjira:

(i) adapted Western-style painting to express his cultural knowledge and the strength of his connection to his traditional country, and

(ii) is now regarded as a national treasure in recognition of the cultural legacy he has left all Australians, as well as the inspiration he is to the generations of Indigenous artists who have followed in his footsteps;

(c) recognises that:

(i) the legal protection of Namatjira’s works provided by the Copyright Act 1968 will expire in 2009, bringing to an end the ability of the copyright owner to exercise an exclusive right to use and reproduce his works, or to allow others to do so in return for a financial benefit, and

(ii) the Public Trustee of the Northern Territory Government authorised the sale of Namatjira’s copyright to Legend Press in 1983, thereby ending the ability of the descendents of Namatjira to benefit from on-going income from the reproduction of his works; and

(d) calls on the Government to:

(i) enter into discussions with the Northern Territory Government to buy back the copyright in Namatjira’s works so that exclusive control of the use and reproduction of his works is restored to his descendents, as well as the receipt of all financial benefits that result from the use and reproduction of his works under copyright protection, and

(ii) in recognition of the contribution Namatjira has made to the development of Australia’s cultural identity and the need to protect his legacy for future generations, explore all relevant legal and other measures that will provide on-going protection of the Namatjira name and his reputation and standing as one of our pre-eminent artists.

Question put and passed.

19 PRIVILEGES—STANDING COMMITTEE—105TH REPORT—STATEMENT BY CHAIR

The Chair of the Standing Committee of Privileges (Senator Ray) made a statement relating to the 105th report of the Committee of Privileges tabled on 26 June 2002 (see entry no. 22, 26 June 2002).

Senator Harris moved—That the Senate take note of the statement.

Question put and passed.

Notice of motion withdrawn: Senator Harris withdrew general business notice of motion notice of motion no. 290 standing in his name, relating to the appointment of an independent assessor to examine documents seized under warrant by Queensland Police from the office of Senator Harris.
20 PRIVILEGES—STANDING COMMITTEE—111TH REPORT
The Chair of the Standing Committee of Privileges (Senator Ray) tabled the following report:

Privileges—Standing Committee—111th report—Persons referred to in the Senate (Mr Bob Moses, on behalf of board and management of National Stem Cell Centre), dated February 2003.

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Ray.
Senator Ray moved—That the report be adopted. Question put and passed.
Response as recommended by the committee incorporated in Hansard accordingly.

21 SCRUTINY OF BILLS—STANDING COMMITTEE—1ST REPORT AND ALERT DIGEST
NO. 1 OF 2003
Senator McGauran, at the request of the Deputy Chairman of the Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills (Senator Mason), tabled the following report and document:

Alert Digest no. 1, dated 5 February 2003.

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

22 SUPERANNUATION AND FINANCIAL SERVICES—SELECT COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—BENEFIT DESIGN OF COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC SECTOR AND DEFENCE FORCE UNFUNDED SUPERANNUATION FUNDS AND SCHEMES
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document received on 13 December 2002:


23 ECONOMICS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—FAIR PRICES AND BETTER ACCESS FOR ALL (PETROLEUM) BILL 1999 AND MULTI-SITE FRANCHISING BY OIL COMPANIES
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document received on 17 December 2002:


24 NATIONAL CRIME AUTHORITY—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION ESTABLISHMENT BILL 2002
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document received on 3 February 2003:

25 **GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following documents received on the dates indicated:

- Central Land Council—Report for 2001-02. [Received 9 January 2003]
- Centrelink and the Data-Matching Agency—Data-matching program—Report on progress for 2001-02. [Received 19 December 2002]
- Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources—Energy use in Commonwealth operations—Report for 2001-02. [Received 23 December 2002]
- Department of the Treasury—Tax expenditures statement 2002, January 2003. [Received 22 January 2003]
- Foreign Investment Review Board—Report for 2001-02. [Received 23 December 2002]
- Gene Technology Regulator—Quarterly report for the period 1 July to 30 September 2002. [Received 21 January 2003]
- Independent review of private health insurance gap cover schemes—Report, July 2002. [Received 23 December 2002]
- Industry Research and Development Board—Report for 2001-02. [Received 3 February 2003]
- Migration Agents Registration Authority—Report for 2001-02. [Received 16 December 2002]
- Pooled Development Funds Registration Board—Report for 2001-02. [Received 22 January 2003]
- Superannuation Complaints Tribunal—Report for 2001-02. [Received 16 January 2003]
- Takeovers Panel—Report for 2001-02. [Received 23 December 2002]

26 **AUDITOR-GENERAL—AUDIT REPORTS NOS 23 TO 27 OF 2002-03—DOCUMENTS**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following documents received on the dates indicated:

- Auditor-General—Audit reports for 2002-03—
  - No. 23—Protective security audit—Physical security arrangements in Commonwealth agencies. [Received 20 December 2002]
  - No. 24—Performance audit—Energy efficiency in Commonwealth operations: Follow-up audit. [Received 20 December 2002]
  - No. 25—Financial statement audit—Audits of the financial statements of Commonwealth entities for the period ended 30 June 2002: Summary of results. [Received 23 December 2002]
  - No. 26—Performance audit—Aviation security in Australia: Department of Transport and Regional Services. [Received 16 January 2003]
  - No. 27—Performance audit—Management of Commonwealth guarantees, warranties, indemnities and letters of comfort. [Received 30 January 2003]

27 **EGG INDUSTRY SERVICE PROVISION ACT—DECLARATION—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document received on 13 January 2003:

28 **ODGERS’ AUSTRALIAN SENATE PRACTICE—10TH EDITION (SUPPLEMENT)—**
**DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:


29 **BUSINESS OF THE SENATE—1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2002—DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:

Business of the Senate—1 January to 31 December 2002.

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

30 **WORK OF COMMITTEES—1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2002—DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:

Work of Committees—1 January to 31 December 2002.

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

31 **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE—SUMMARY—DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:

Questions on notice—Summary for the period 12 February to 31 December 2002.

32 **SENATE COMMITTEE REPORTS—REGISTER 1970-2001 (2002 SUPPLEMENT)—**
**DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:

Senate Committee Reports—Consolidated register of Senate committee reports 1970-2001—Supplement 1 January to 31 December 2002.

33 **HEALTH—TOBACCO CONTROL—DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:

Health—Tobacco control—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Manager (Dr Sanders), Tobacco and Health Branch, New South Wales Health Department responding to the resolution of the Senate of 2 December 2002, dated 23 January 2003.

34 **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY—DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:

Science and Technology—Photovoltaic energy—Letter to the Deputy President of the Senate (Senator Hogg) from Deputy Chief Minister of the Australian Capital Territory (Mr Quinlan) responding to the resolution of the Senate of 9 December 2002, dated 10 January 2003.

35 **A CERTAIN MARITIME INCIDENT—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—FINDINGS—**
**DOCUMENT**
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) tabled the following document:

A Certain Maritime Incident—Select Committee—Report—Findings—Letter to Senator Hogg from the Acting Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Mr Slipper) responding to the resolution of the Senate of 10 December 2002, dated 23 December 2002.

Senator Cook, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the document. Question put and passed.
36 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—ALLOCATION OF FUNDING—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS

The Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison), by leave, made a statement relating to the order of the Senate of 12 December 2002 for the production of documents relating to allocation of funding for science and technology and, pursuant to that order, tabled the following documents:

Science and Technology—Allocation of funding—Statement by the Minister for Science (Mr McGauran) and attachments [2].

Senator Brown, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the documents.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

37 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—GENETICALLY-MODIFIED FOOD—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—STATEMENT BY LEAVE

The Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison), by leave, made a statement relating to the order of the Senate of 12 December 2002 for the production of documents concerning genetically-modified food (see entry no. 14, 12 December 2002).

38 DOCUMENTS

The following documents were tabled by the Clerk:


Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Act—
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (Conflict of Interests) Amendment Directions 2003 (No. 1).
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (Conflict of Interests) Directions 2002.
Torres Strait Regional Authority (Conflict of Interests) Directions 2003.


Australian Communications Authority Act—Radiocommunications (Charges) Amendment Determination 2002 (No. 1).


Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry Act—


Broadcasting Services Act—
Broadcasting Services (Events) Notice No. 1 of 1994 (Amendment No. 4 of 2002).

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Regulations—
   Airworthiness Directives—Part—
Civil Aviation Amendment Order (No. 1) 2003.
Exemption No.—
   CASA EX01/2003 and CASA EX02/2003.
Instrument No.—
   CASA 773/02.
   CASA 02/03 and CASA 10/03.
Class Ruling—
Currency Act—Currency (Royal Australian Mint) Determination 2002 (No. 6).
Customs Act—
   CEO Directions Nos 3 and 4 of 2002.
Defence Act—
   Determination under section—
      58B—Defence Determination—
         2003/1.
   Regulations—Statutory Rules 2002 No. 311.
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—
   Declaration of Stricter Domestic Measures under section 303CB, dated 10 December 2002.
Family Law Act—
Farm Household Support Act—Farm Help Re-establishment Grant Scheme Amendment 2003 (No. 1).
Fisheries Management Act—
Goods and Services Taxation Ruling—
  Addendum—
    GST 2001/3.
    GST 2002/6.
Health Insurance Act—Determination—HIA/s3GC(3)/No. 2 of 2002.
Higher Education Funding Act—
  Determination under section—
Guidelines on Definition of Supervision for Work Experience in Industry.
Migration Act—
Statement for period 1 July to 31 December 2002 under section—
  33.
  48B [6].
  345 [6].
  351 [106].
  417 [98].
Motor Vehicle Standards Act—
  Motor Vehicle Standards (Approval to Place Used Import Plates) Determination 2002 (No. 2).
National Health Act—
  Health Benefits Reinsurance (Records of Organisations) Amendment
  Determination 2003 (No. 1).
  Regulations—Statutory Rules 2002 No. 344.
Navigation Act and Protection of the Sea (Prevention of Pollution from Ships)
Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Act—Notice of
Declaration—Notice No. 2 of 2002.
Ozone Protection Act—Notice of Grant of—
  Exemptions under section 40, dated 10 and 23 December 2002.
Primary Industries and Energy Research and Development Act—Regulations—
Statutory Rules 2002 No. 309.
Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 2002 Nos
307 and 324.
Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act—Regulations—Statutory
Rules 2002 No. 308.
Product Ruling—
  PR 2003/2.
Protection of the Sea (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Act—Marine Order—
Order No. 13 of 2002.
Radiocommunications Act—Radiocommunications (Spread Spectrum Devices)
Class Licence 2002.
Remuneration Tribunal Act—Determination—
Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act—Notice of Declaration—Notice
No. 5 of 2002.
Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 2002
No. 353.
Sydney Airport Curfew Act—Dispensations granted under section 20—
  Dispensation No. 1/03 [2 dispensations].
Sydney Airport Demand Management Act—Instrument No. MTR 1/2003—
Direction to Slot Manager.
No. 312.

Taxation Ruling—
  Addendum—
    TR 1999/10.
    TR 2000/18.

Telecommunications Act—
  Telecommunications Cabling Provider Amendment Rules 2002 (No. 1).
  Telecommunications (Requirements for Authorised Cabling Products


Therapeutic Goods Act—
  Therapeutic Goods (Emergency) Exemption 2002 (No. 2).
  Therapeutic Goods (Emergency) Exemption 2002 (No. 3).
  Therapeutic Goods (Emergency) Exemption 2002 (No. 4).

Trade Marks Act—

Veterans’ Entitlements Act—
  Veterans’ Entitlements (Treatment Principles – Medical Services) Instrument

Wine Equalisation Tax Rulings WETR 2002/1 and WETR 2002/2.


39 GOVERNOR-GENERAL’S PROCLAMATIONS—COMMENCEMENT OF PROVISIONS OF
ACTS

Proclamations by His Excellency the Governor-General were tabled, notifying that he
had proclaimed the following provisions of Acts to come into operation on the dates
specified:

  Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism Act 2002—Schedule 3—13 December
  Workplace Relations Amendment (Registration and Accountability of
           Organisations) Act 2002—Schedule 1—12 May 2003 (Gazette No. GN 49,
           11 December 2002).
  Workplace Relations Legislation Amendment (Registration and Accountability of
           Organisations) (Consequential Provisions) Act 2002—Schedules 1 and 2—12 May
           2003 (Gazette No. GN 49, 11 December 2002).

40 COMMITTEES—CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lightfoot) informed the Senate that the
President had received letters requesting changes in the membership of various
committees.

The Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison), by leave, moved—That
senators be discharged from and appointed to committees as follows:
Community Affairs Legislation Committee—
Appointed—Participating member: Senator Nettle

Community Affairs References Committee—
Appointed—Participating member: Senator Nettle

Economics References Committee—
Appointed—Senator Hogg
Discharged—Senator Conroy

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts
References Committee—
Appointed—Participating members:
Senator Moore
Senator Wong for the committee’s inquiry into the Australian telecommunications network

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—
Appointed—Participating member: Senator Collins

Legal and Constitutional References Committee—
Appointed—Substitute member: Senator Crossin to replace Senator Stephens for the committee’s inquiry on progress towards national reconciliation

Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee—
Appointed—Senator Conroy
Discharged—Senator Hogg.

Question put and passed.

41 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (SMALL BUSINESS PROTECTION) BILL 2002 [NO. 2]
MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2002
TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 6) 2002

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:
Message no. 239, dated 3 February 2003—A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to migration, and for related purposes.
Message no. 240, dated 3 February 2003—A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, and for related purposes.

The Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison) moved—That these bills may proceed without formalities, may be taken together and be now read a first time.
Question put and passed.

Bills read a first time.
Senator Ellison moved—That these bills be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Buckland the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Consideration of legislation: Senator Ellison moved—That the bills be listed on the Notice Paper as separate orders of the day.

Question put and passed.

42 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (AUSTRALIANS WORKING TOGETHER AND OTHER 2001 BUDGET MEASURES) BILL 2002

A message from the House of Representatives was reported as follows:

Message no. 238, dated 13 December 2002—Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Australians Working Together and other 2001 Budget Measures) Bill 2002, insisting on disagreeing to amendments nos 18, 22, 24, 37, 39, 40, 42, 43, 47, 49, 50, 54, 61, 63 to 65 and 74 to 77 made and insisted on by the Senate.

On the motion of the Minister for Justice and Customs (Senator Ellison) consideration of the message in committee of the whole was made an order of the day for the next day of sitting.

43 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—TRANSPORT SAFETY INVESTIGATION BILL 2002

Pursuant to order, Senator McGauran, at the request of Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (Senator Heffernan), tabled the following report and documents:


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

44 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (FAIR DISMISSAL) BILL 2002 [NO. 2]

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.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Hutchins in continuation.

45 NOTICE

Senator Ferguson, by leave and also on behalf of Senators Murray, Sandy Macdonald and O’Brien, gave a notice of motion as follows: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes the continuing abuse of human rights, violence, political unrest and deteriorating economic situation in Zimbabwe;

(b) notes the intention of the Australian Cricket Board (ACB) and the International Cricket Council (ICC) to proceed with its scheduled World Cup match in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, on 24 February 2003, despite the heightened political and security situation and warnings of protests and other political activity; and

(c) urges the ACB and ICC not to play scheduled World Cup matches in Zimbabwe. (general business notice of motion no. 346)
At 6.50 pm—

46 **GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS—CONSIDERATION**

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

- Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits Authority—Report for 2001-02—Corrigendum. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator Sandy Macdonald and agreed to.

47 **ADJOURNMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Bolkus) proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Senate adjourned at 7.35 pm till Thursday, 6 February 2003 at 9.30 am.

48 **ATTENDANCE**


**HARRY EVANS**  
Clerk of the Senate