



## Appendix A – Program

**Thursday 30 March 2006**

**Venue: The Lobby Restaurant, Parkes, Canberra**

**6.00 pm – 7.00 pm                      Reception**

Hosted by the Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth Parliament

Welcome by

Senator the Hon Paul Calvert  
President of the Senate

The Hon David Hawker MP  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

**7.00 pm – 10.30 pm                      Seminar Dinner**

Addresses by

The Hon Alexander Downer MP  
Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Kevin Rudd MP  
Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade  
and International Security

**Friday 31 March 2006**

**Venue: Main Committee Room**

**8.30 am – 9.00 am**

**Registration**

**Welcome**

**9.00 am – 9.20 am**

Dr Andrew Southcott MP  
Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

**Session One:**

**Reflections on a decade**

**9.20 am – 10.15 am**

Chair: Dr Andrew Southcott MP

Hon Dick Adams MP  
Foundation Member, Joint Standing Committee on  
Treaties

*Treaty Review: A Member's Perspective*

Ms Devika Hovell  
Director, International Law Project, Gilbert &  
Tobin Centre of Public Law, University of New  
South Wales

*Ten Years of JSCOT: A Critical Analysis*

Mr Neil Roberts MP  
Parliamentary Secretary to the Deputy Premier  
and Treasurer, and Minister for State  
Development, Trade and Innovation, Queensland  
Parliament

*Treaty Making: A State Perspective*

**10.15 am – 10.30 am**

**Launch of JSCOT Database**

**10.30 am – 11.00 am**

Morning Tea

**Session Two:**

**Treaty making and review in a federal system**

**11.00 am – 12.15 pm**

Chair: Senator Dana Wortley

Ms Petrice Judge  
Executive Director, Office of Federal Affairs,  
Department of Premier and Cabinet, Western  
Australia

*The Standing Committee on Treaties as Part of the Treaty Scrutiny Process*

Ms Anne Twomey  
Adjunct Senior Lecturer in Law, University of Sydney

*Treaty Reform - What the States Wanted, What they got and What they want now*

Associate Professor Richard Herr  
School of Government, University of Tasmania  
*Some Reflections on the Role of State Parliaments*

**12.15 pm - 1.15 pm**

**Lunch in the Mural Hall**

Luncheon Address

Mr Greg Sheridan  
Foreign Editor, *The Australian*

**Session Three:**

**New Developments in Treaty Making and Review**

**1.15 pm - 2.40 pm**

Chair: Senator Russell Trood

Mr Michael L'Estrange  
Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

*Developments in Free Trade Agreements*

Associate Professor Greg Rose  
Faculty of Law, University of Wollongong

*Treaties with Regional Neighbours*

Professor Aynsley Kellow  
School of Government, University of Tasmania

*Climate Change Treaties*

**Session Four:**

**Perspectives from abroad**

**2.40 pm - 3.40 pm**

Chair: Mr Kim Wilkie MP

Dr Palitha Kohona  
Former Chief, Treaty Section/Office of Legal  
Affairs, United Nations

*Recent Trends in Treaty Law from the Perspective of  
the UN Secretary-General as Depositary and  
Significant Treaty Events*

Ms Dianne Yates MP

Chairperson, Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade  
Committee, New Zealand Parliament

*Treaty Review in New Zealand*

**3.40 pm – 4.00 pm**

**Closing remarks**

Mr Kim Wilkie MP  
Deputy Chair, Joint Standing Committee on  
Treaties

**4.00 pm**

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