SUPPLEMENTARY SUBMISSION NO. 4.1

ANZCERTA Amendment of Article 3 and Annex G: JSCOT hearing Monday 28 February 2011: question on notice

Question: Is it possible to ask the witness, on notice, to provide us with a summary of the consultation that actually was undertaken and the negotiation, just so we can do a comparison with the evidence that we received in Melbourne?

Answer:

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) has a range of industry consultation mechanisms in place, including a biannual Peak Organisations Trade Negotiations Update Meeting which provides an update briefing on international trade negotiations for peak industry groups. In conjunction with the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research (DIISR), DFAT set up a specific process for the ANZCERTA ROO Review due to the technical nature and specific interests of particular stakeholders.

Through this process, the Government consulted with interested parties, both companies and industry bodies, as an element of the negotiation process for the ANZCERTA ROO Review.

The consultation process included simultaneous publishing, on Australian and New Zealand Government websites (on 29 January 2009), of a draft schedule listing the initial proposed changes to the 2007 ROO. Advertisements calling for submissions from interested parties were placed in *The Australian* and *The Financial Review* in early February 2009. Additionally, a significant number of industry bodies, including the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI), the Australian Industry Group (AiG) and the Council of Textile & Fashion Industries of Australia (TFIA), were emailed the proposed schedule in January 2009. A full list of business and industry groups consulted on the ANZCERTA ROO review is attached. Throughout 2009, the Minister of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research and his Department received and responded to submissions and correspondence from interested parties, including both TFIA and the Stafford Group. The views of interested parties were taken into consideration in the negotiations.

As a part of the consultation process, the Minister of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research met with TFIA in April 2009 to discuss the changes, and senior officials met with Stafford Group in mid-2010 as a part on the ongoing consultation on the outcomes of the negotiations.

Business and industry groups consulted on the ANZCERTA ROO review:

ACCORD Australasia Ltd

Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI)

Australian Industry Group (Ai Group)

Australian Information Industry Association (AIIA)

Australian Manufacturing Workers Union (AMWU)

Australian Paint Manufactures Federation (APMF)

Australian Services Union (ASU)

Australian Steel Institute

Cambridge Clothing

Carpet Institute of Australia

Council of Textiles and Fashions Industries Australia (TFIA)

Dom Bagnato

Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries (FCAI)

Federation of Auto Parts Manufactures (FAPM)

Footwear Manufacturers' Association of Australia (FMAA)

Furnishing Industry of Australia (FIAA)

Howard Consulting

John Hannah

Law Institute of Victoria

Oz Leather

Peter Jackson

Plastics and Chemicals Industries Association (PACIA)

Stafford Group

Styleride Seating Systems

Textile, Clothing and Footwear Union of Australia (TCFUA)

Travellers Apparel