

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 13

Committee and delegation business

and

private Members' business

3 September 2014

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business and of private Members' business

1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 2 September 2014.
2. The committee determined the order of precedence and times to be allotted for consideration of committee and delegation business and private Members' business on Monday, 22 September 2014, as follows:

Items for House of Representatives Chamber (10.10 am to 12 noon)

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION BUSINESS

Presentation and statements

1 Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security

*Review of Administration and Expenditure No. 11 and No. 12 (Statement on Inquiry);
Review of the listing of Boko Haram and Review of the re-listing of the Islamic State
(Report)*

*The Committee determined that statements may be
made — all statements to conclude by 10.20 am.*

Speech time limits —

Mr Tehan — 5 minutes.

Next Member — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 5 mins]

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 MS RISHWORTH: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes the importance of supporting young people transition from school into work or further training and preventing them from falling into the trap of unemployment;
- (2) recognises the important work done in ensuring that students are supported to make the transition through:
 - (a) the Youth Connections program that has a proven track record in helping young people who have not or are at risk of not completing year 12, transition back into school or further education, training and employment;
 - (b) the School Business Community Partnership Brokers program which builds partnerships between schools and the wider community including business and charities that help young people achieve year 12 or equivalent qualifications; and

- (c) National Career Development Strategy services that support vital links between industry, students and training options;
- (3) is extremely concerned that there is no funding in the budget for these programs past 1 January 2015; and
- (4) calls on the Government to immediately reverse its decision to no longer fund these programs past the 2014 calendar year.

(Notice given 26 August 2014.)

Time allotted — 50 minutes.

Speech time limits —

Ms Rishworth — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 10 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

2 MR HAWKE: To move—That this House:

- (1) welcomes the Australian Government's commitment to contributing to humanitarian aid in Iraq, including through airdrops;
- (2) commends the Prime Minister, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection for:
 - (a) their commitment to working with our allies towards a solution, including having reaffirmed the strong state of our bilateral defence and security co-operation with the United States;
 - (b) strengthening our national security by providing a further \$630 million over four years to boost the counter terrorism capacity of our security and intelligence organisations;
 - (c) their commitment to prosecuting those Australians who engage in terrorism-related activities and to strengthening our ability to monitor, arrest, and prosecute people who have been involved with terrorist groups abroad; and
 - (d) setting aside a minimum of 4,400 resettlement places in the 2014-15 Refugee and Humanitarian Program for ethnic and religious minorities fleeing the humanitarian crises in Iraq and Syria;
- (3) recognises that:
 - (a) Christian Assyrians, Chaldeans, Yazidis, and Mandaeans are minority religious and racial groups in Iraq, and are subject to ongoing violence, intimidation, harassment and discrimination on religious and ethnic grounds;
 - (b) hundreds of thousands of Christian Assyrians, Chaldeans, Yazidis, and Mandaeans have been forced to flee their homes in northern Iraq; and
 - (c) a growing number of Australians are travelling to Iraq and Syria and other conflict zones where their aim is to do harm and bring back deadly skills to Australia, and the threat from these extremists is real and growing;

- (4) condemns the violent and barbaric killing, intimidation, harassment and discrimination of Christian Assyrians, Chaldeans, Yazidis, and Mandaeans in Iraq at the hands of the terrorist organisation, Islamic State (also known as ISIS); and
 - (5) calls upon the Australian Government to:
 - (a) continue to focus on the humanitarian aid mission; and
 - (b) work closely with our allies to ensure that more people are not exposed to the brutal zealotry of the Islamic State.
- (Notice given 27 August 2014.)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 12 noon.

Speech time limits —

Mr Hawke — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 + 6 x 5 mins]

The Committee determined that consideration of this matter should continue on a future day.

Items for Federation Chamber (11 am to 1.30 pm)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 MS CLAYDON: To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that:
 - (a) according to the United Nations, global extreme poverty has been halved since 1990 but more than 1.2 billion people remain in extreme poverty;
 - (b) as an economically rich and developed nation, Australia has a responsibility to be a global leader in delivering overseas aid programs and funding;
 - (c) in 2008, Christian Aid estimated that developing countries lost more than \$160 billion (USD) through just two forms of multinational tax evasion—transfer mispricing and false invoicing; and
 - (d) Micah Challenge:
 - (i) is a global movement of aid and development agencies, churches, schools, groups and individuals speaking out against poverty and injustice in support of the Millennium Development Goals;
 - (ii) has identified that Australia, as Chair of the G20, has a unique opportunity to bring tax evasion and corruption to the attention of the world in 2014; and
 - (iii) urges Australia to take a leading role in tackling tax evasion;
- (2) condemns the Government for:
 - (a) cutting the overseas aid budget; and
 - (b) its lack of action on multinational tax avoidance; and

- (3) urges all Members of Parliament to take an active role in ensuring Australia continues to be a leader in the delivery of overseas aid programs and funding.

(Notice given 17 July 2014.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Ms Claydon — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Orders of the day

1 PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE AUSTRALIA FUND BILL 2014 (Mr Palmer): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 March 2014*).

Time allotted — 10 minutes.

All Members — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Notices — continued

2 MR FERGUSON: To move—That this House:

(1) notes:

- (a) that Peter Grete has had a distinguished career as a journalist with CNN, Reuters, WTN, BBC and Al Jazeera;
- (b) the long pre-trial incarceration, refusal of bail, procedural errors, extraordinary allegations, and acknowledged extremely severe sentences; and
- (c) widespread international condemnation of the process, characterised by United States Secretary of State John Kerry's comment that it was 'a chilling and draconian sentence'; and

(2) calls on the Government to continue pressing Egyptian authorities for justice and raising these human rights issues in all viable international fora.

(Notice given 26 August 2014.)

Time allotted — 30 minutes.

Mr Ferguson — 5 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 6 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

3 MR WILLIAMS: To move—That the House:

- (1) acknowledges small business as a major driver of economic growth in Australia;
- (2) notes that:
 - (a) small businesses are time and resource poor and face significant obstacles in securing government contracts;
 - (b) the Government has allocated \$2.8 million over four years to assist small business to access the Commonwealth procurement market;
 - (c) the establishment of a new unit providing specialist advice on contracts will ensure small businesses are not disadvantaged when dealing with the Commonwealth; and
 - (d) under Labor, 519,000 jobs were lost in small business;
- (3) commends the Government for removing the regulatory imposts that apply to more than 20,000 annual tender processes for Commonwealth agency work; and
- (4) recognises the benefits that will be achieved for small business in being able to competitively compete for Commonwealth tenders.

(Notice given 28 August 2014.)

Time allotted — 60 minutes.

Mr Williams — 10 minutes.

Next Member — 10 minutes.

Other Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 10 + 8 x 5 mins]

*The Committee determined that consideration
of this matter should continue on a future day.*

Orders of the day — continued

**2 AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION AMENDMENT (SCHOOL FUNDING
GUARANTEE) BILL 2014** (*Mr Shorten*): Second reading—Resumption of debate
(*from 23 June 2014*).

Time allotted — 10 minutes.

All Members — 5 minutes.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 5 mins]

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Notices — continued

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(Notice given 26 August 2014.)

Time allotted — remaining private Members' business time prior to 1.30 pm.

All Members — 5 minutes each.

[Minimum number of proposed Members speaking
= 2 x 5 mins]

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THE HON BRONWYN BISHOP MP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

3 September 2014