

# **The Senate**

## **BUSINESS OF COMMITTEES**

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### **SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**Public Hearings: BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2015–16**

**Monday, 1 June 2015 to Thursday, 4 June 2015 and, if required,  
Friday 5 June 2015**

**Main Committee Room  
Parliament House  
Canberra ACT**

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**AGENDA  
MONDAY 1 JUNE 2015  
DEFENCE PORTFOLIO**

<b>Department of Defence and DMO</b>		<i>9.00 am – 11.00 pm</i>			
<b>Defence</b>					
<b>Portfolio and Budget overview and questions arising from opening statements</b>					
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>					
<b>The protection and advancement of Australia’s national interests through the provision of military capabilities and promotion of security and stability.</b>					
Program 1.1: Office of the Secretary and Chief of the Defence Force					
Program 1.2: Navy Capabilities					
Program 1.3: Army Capabilities					
Program 1.4: Air Force Capabilities					
Program 1.5: Intelligence Capabilities					
Program 1.6: Chief Operating Officer—Defence Support and Reform					
Program 1.7: Chief Operating Officer—Chief Information Officer					
Program 1.8: Chief Operating Officer—Defence People					
Program 1.9: Defence Science and Technology					
Program 1.10: Vice-Chief of the Defence Force					
Program 1.11: Joint Operations Command					
Program 1.12: Capability Development					
Program 1.13: Chief Finance Officer					
Program 1.14: Defence Force Superannuation Benefits					
Program 1.15: Defence Force Superannuation Nominal Interest					
Program 1.16: Housing Assistance					
Program 1.17: Other Administered					
<b><u>Outcome 2</u></b>					
<b>The advancement of Australia’s strategic interests through the conduct of military operations and other tasks as directed by Government.</b>					
Program 2.1: Operations contributing to the security of the immediate neighbourhood					
Program 2.2: Operations supporting wider interests					
<b><u>Outcome 3</u></b>					
<b>Support to the Australian community and civilian authorities as requested by Government.</b>					
Program 3.1: Defence contribution to National Support Tasks in Australia					
<b>Defence Materiel Organisation</b>					
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>					
<b>Contributing to the preparedness of the Australian Defence Organisation through acquisition and through-life support of military equipment and supplies.</b>					
Program 1.1: Management of Capability Acquisition					
Program 1.2: Management of Capability Sustainment					
Program 1.3: Provision of Policy Advice and Management Services					
<b>Defence Housing Australia</b>		<i>7.30 pm – 8.00 pm</i>			
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>					
<b>To contribute to Defence outcomes by providing total housing services that meet Defence operational and client needs through a strong customer and business focus.</b>					
Program 1: The provision of Defence housing and housing related services					
<b><i>Proposed Breaks</i></b>					
<i>10.30 am</i>	<i>15 mins</i>	<i>Morning Tea</i>	<i>6.30 pm</i>	<i>1 hr</i>	<i>Dinner break</i>
<i>12.30 pm</i>	<i>1 hr</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>	<i>9.00 pm</i>	<i>15 mins</i>	<i>Evening break</i>
<i>3.30 pm</i>	<i>15 mins</i>	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>			

**AGENDA**  
**TUESDAY 2 JUNE 2015**  
**DEFENCE PORTFOLIO**

<b>Department of Defence and Veterans' Affairs</b>	
<b>Defence and DMO</b> ( <i>in continuation</i> )	<i>9.00 am – 6.30 pm</i>
<b>Department of Veterans' Affairs</b>	<i>7.30 pm – 10.30 pm</i>
Portfolio overview	
Corporate and general matters	
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>	
<b>Maintain and enhance the financial wellbeing and self-sufficiency of eligible persons and their dependants through access to income support, compensation, and other support services, including advice and information about entitlements.</b>	
Programme 1.1: Veterans' Income Support and Allowances.	
Programme 1.2: Veterans' Disability Support.	
Programme 1.3: Assistance to Defence Widow/ers and Dependants.	
Programme 1.4: Assistance and Other Compensation for Veterans and Dependants.	
Programme 1.5: Veterans' Children Education Scheme.	
Programme 1.6: Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Acts—Income Support and Compensation	
Programme 1.7: Adjustments to Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Acts Liability Provision—Income Support and Compensation.	
<b><u>Outcome 2</u></b>	
<b>Maintain and enhance the physical wellbeing and quality of life of eligible persons and their dependants through health and other care services that promote early intervention, prevention and treatment, including advice and information about health service entitlements.</b>	
Programme 2.1: General Medical Consultations and Services.	
Programme 2.2: Veterans' Hospital Services.	
Programme 2.3: Veterans' Pharmaceutical Benefits.	
Programme 2.4: Veterans' Community Care and Support.	
Programme 2.5: Veterans' Counselling and Other Health Services.	
Programme 2.6: Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Acts—Health and Other Care Services.	
Programme 2.7: Adjustment to the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Acts Liability Provision—Health and Other Care Services.	
<b><u>Outcome 3</u></b>	
<b>Acknowledgement and commemoration of those who served Australia and its allies in wars, conflicts and peace operations through promoting recognition of service and sacrifice, preservation of Australia's wartime heritage, and official commemorations.</b>	
Programme 3.1: War Graves and Commemorations	
Programme 3.2: Gallipoli-related Activities	
<b>Australian War Memorial</b>	<i>10.30 pm – 11.00 pm</i>
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>	
<b>Australians remembering, interpreting and understanding the Australian experience of war and its enduring impact through maintaining and developing the National Memorial, its collection and exhibition of historical material, commemorative ceremonies and research.</b>	
Program 1.1: Commemorative ceremonies	
Program 1.2: National memorial and grounds	

Program 1.3: National collection  
 Program 1.4: Exhibitions  
 Program 1.5: Interpretive services  
 Program 1.6: Promotion and community services  
 Program 1.7: Research and information dissemination  
 Program 1.8: Visitor services

***Proposed Breaks***

<b><i>10.30 am</i></b>	<i>15 mins</i>	<i>Morning Tea</i>	<b><i>6.30 pm</i></b>	<i>1 hr</i>	<i>Dinner break</i>
<b><i>12.30 pm</i></b>	<i>1 hr</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>	<b><i>9.00 pm</i></b>	<i>15 mins</i>	<i>Evening break</i>
<b><i>3.30 pm</i></b>	<i>15 mins</i>	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>			

**AGENDA**  
**WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE 2015**  
**FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE PORTFOLIO**

<b>Foreign Affairs portfolio (non-trade programs)</b>	<i>9.00 am – 11.00 pm</i>
<b>Portfolio and Budget Overview including Development Assistance and Corporate</b>	
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>	
<b>The advancement of Australia’s international strategic, security and economic interests including through bilateral, regional and multilateral engagement on Australian Government foreign, trade and international development policy priorities.</b>	
<b>North Asia</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.7: Official Development Assistance – East Asia	
<b>South-East Asia</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.7: Official Development Assistance – East Asia	
Program 1.8: Official Development Assistance – East Asia (Australia-Indonesia Partnership for Reconstruction and Development)	
<b>Americas</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.9: Official Development Assistance – Africa, South and Central Asia, Middle East and Other	
<b>Europe</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
<b>South, Central and West Asia</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.9: Official Development Assistance – Africa, South and Central Asia, Middle East and Other	
<b>Middle East and Africa</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.9: Official Development Assistance – Africa, South and Central Asia, Middle East and Other	
<b>Pacific</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.6: Official Development Assistance – PNG and Pacific	
<b>International Security, Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.10: Official Development Assistance – Emergency, Humanitarian and Refugee Program (De-Mining)	
<b>Multilateral Policy, Legal and Environment</b>	
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations	
Program 1.2: Payments to International Organisations (Administered Items)	
Program 1.4: International Climate Change Engagement	
Program 1.12: Official Development Assistance – UN, Commonwealth and Other International Organisations	
<b>Multilateral Banks and Funds and Global Partnerships</b>	
Program 1.2: Payments to international organisations (administered items)	
Program 1.11: Official Development Assistance – Multilateral Replenishments	
Program 1.12: Official Development Assistance – UN, Commonwealth and Other International	

Organisations Program 1.13: Official Development Assistance – NGO, Volunteer and Community Programs					
<b>Humanitarian</b> Program 1.10: Official Development Assistance – Emergency, Humanitarian and Refugee Program					
<b>Public Diplomacy and Communications; Awards</b> Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations Program 1.3: Public Information Services and Public Diplomacy (Administered) Program 1.9: Official Development Assistance – Africa, South and Central Asia, Middle East and Other (Australia Awards)					
<b>New Colombo Plan</b> Program 1.5: New Colombo Plan—Transforming Regional Relationships					
<b>Services to Other Agencies in Australia and Overseas</b> Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations					
<b>Services to Diplomatic and Consular Representatives in Australia</b> Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations					
<b><u>Outcome 2</u></b> <b>The protection and welfare of Australians abroad and access to secure international travel documentation through timely and responsive travel advice and consular and passport services in Australia and overseas.</b> Program 2.1: Consular Services Program 2.2: Passport Services					
<b><u>Outcome 3</u></b> <b>A secure Australian Government presence overseas through the provision of security services and information and communications technology infrastructure, and the management of the Commonwealth’s overseas property estate.</b> <b>Security, ICT and overseas property</b> Program 3.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations Program 3.2: Overseas Property					
<b><i>Proposed Breaks</i></b>					
<b><i>10.30 am</i></b>	<b><i>15 mins</i></b>	<b><i>Morning Tea</i></b>	<b><i>6.30 pm</i></b>	<b><i>1 hr</i></b>	<b><i>Dinner break</i></b>
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**AGENDA**  
**THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2015**  
**FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE PORTFOLIO**

<b>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</b>					
<b>Foreign Affairs non-trade programs</b> <i>(in continuation)</i>			<b>9.00 am – 5.00 pm</b>		
<b>Trade portfolio (trade programs)</b>			<b>5.00 pm – 11.00 pm</b>		
<b>Bilateral, regional and multilateral trade negotiations</b>					
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations					
<b>Trade development and policy coordination, tourism promotion</b>					
Program 1.1: Foreign Affairs and Trade Operations					
<b>Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (Efic)</b>					
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>					
Facilitate and encourage Australian export trade by providing financial solutions to Australian companies involved in such trade.					
<b>Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)</b>					
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>					
Contribute to Australia's economic prosperity by promoting Australia's export and other international economic interests through the provision of information, advice and services to business, associations, institutions and government.					
Program 1.1: Promotion of Australia's export and other international economic interest (includes Tourism division)					
Program 1.2: Programmes to promote Australia's export and other international economic interests (Export Market Development Grants (EMDG) Scheme and Asian Business Engagement (ABE) Plan)					
<b><u>Outcome 2</u></b>					
The protection and welfare of Australians abroad through timely and responsive consular and passport services in specific locations overseas.					
Program 2.1: Consular and passport services					
Program 1.14: <i>(DFAT outcome)</i> Programs to Promote Australia's International Tourism Interests (NB: new program in 2014-2015)					
<b>Tourism Australia</b>					
<b><u>Outcome 1</u></b>					
Grow demand and foster a competitive and sustainable Australian tourism industry through partnership marketing to targeted global consumers in key markets.					
Program 1.1: Supporting Outcome 1					
Component 1.1: Grow demand					
Component 1.2: Industry Development					
<b>Proposed Breaks</b>					
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