



Appendix H – Newspaper Advertisement

Text of the advertisement placed in “The Australian” newspaper on Wednesday, 18 March 2009.

New Inquiry

Review of listing of Ansar al-Islam (formerly Ansar al-Sunna), Asbat al-Ansar (AAA), Islamic Army of Aden (IAA), Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) and Lashkar-e Jhangvi (LeJ)

Under section 102.1A of the *Criminal Code Act* the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security is to review the regulations specifying the above organisations as terrorist organisations.

Submissions from individuals and organisations are due by **Thursday April 30 2009**.

For further details, visit www.apf.gov.au/pjcis or email pjcis@apf.gov.au or phone **(02) 6277 2360**

A copy of the ad as it appeared follows.

About the House

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Free trade with ASEAN

Several new international agreements are being examined by federal parliament's Treaties Committee, including Australia agreeing to establish the ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area. The Treaties Committee is seeking submissions on the implications for Australia of ratifying these treaties. The other agreements being examined are the Convention on Cluster Munitions and two taxation agreements with the Isle of Man. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/jstc or email jstc@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4002.

Pay equity hearings in Brisbane

Potential disadvantages to women's participation in the workforce are being explored by the House of Representatives Employment and Workplace Relations Committee. The committee will hold public hearings in Brisbane on Tuesday 31 March, in Sydney on 1 April and in Melbourne on 2 and 3 April and also welcomes further public submissions to the inquiry. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/ewr or email ewr.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4162.

Community stores in Torres Strait

The House of Representatives Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs Committee will hold public meetings in the Torres Strait and Cape York from 30 March to 2 April for its inquiry into community stores in remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait communities. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/atisa or email atisa.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4559.

Defence report under scrutiny

The Department of Defence Annual Report 2007-2008 is being reviewed by federal parliament's Defence Sub-Committee (part of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade). Submissions are due by Friday 10 April 2009. A public hearing for this inquiry will be held in Canberra on Thursday 16 April. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/fdatd or email fdatd@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 2313.

Review of terrorist listings

The listing of Ansar al-Islam (formerly Ansar al-Sunnah), Ashkat al-Ansar (AAA), Islamic Army of Aden (IAA), Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) and Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) will be reviewed by the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security. Under section 102.1A of the Criminal Code Act the committee reviews the regulations specifying the above organisations as terrorist organisations. Submissions are due by Thursday April 30 2009. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/pjics or email pjics@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 2360.

Submissions sought on Edinburgh RAAF base

Proposed improvements to the RAAF Base Edinburgh, Adelaide, worth \$99 million will be reviewed by the Public Works Committee. Public submissions are due by Thursday 16 April 2009. For detailed plans and further information visit www.aph.gov.au/pwc or email pwc@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4656.

Impact of F-111 fuel tank cleaning

Issues surrounding former Royal Australian Air Force personnel and their families affected by the desal/leach cleaning process of F-111 fuel tanks will be investigated at a public hearing in Canberra on 17 April. For more information on this inquiry by federal parliament's Defence Sub-Committee (part of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade) visit www.aph.gov.au/fdatd or email fdatd@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 2313.

Making buildings more accessible

Public hearings will begin this month for the inquiry into the draft Disability (Access to Premises - Buildings) Standards by the House of Representatives Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee. Hearings will be held in Sydney on Wednesday 25 March, Melbourne on Monday 30 March and Brisbane on Friday 3 April. The draft standards are intended to make public buildings more accessible for people with mobility, vision and hearing impairments. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/laca or email laca.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 2358.

Review of audits on government services

Today the Public Accounts and Audit Committee will hold a public hearing from 11.00am in Committee Room 2B1, Parliament House, Canberra to examine two Auditor-General reports: disability employment services and the administration of the job network outcome payments. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/jpa or email jpa.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4615.

Hearing on Defence acquisitions report

The Public Accounts and Audit Committee is holding a public hearing on Thursday 19 March with the Auditor-General and the Chief Executive Officer of the Defence Materiel Organisation to scrutinise the first "Major Projects Report". This is the first in a series of annual reports examining progress in major Defence acquisitions while they are still in progress. The hearing is from 9.30am in Committee Room 2B1, Parliament House, Canberra. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/jpa or email jpa.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4615.

Tax Commissioner at March hearing

Twice a year the Public Accounts and Audit Committee holds a public hearing with the Commissioner of Taxation Michael D'Ascenzo. The hearings are one of the few occasions when the Commissioner is obliged to answer questions in public about administration of the tax system. The next hearing will be held on Monday 30 March from 10am to 1pm in the Dandilaroom Level 5 Parliamentary Annex of Queensland's state parliament, Brisbane. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/jpa or email jpa.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4615.

Are the powers of the Auditor-General adequate

Do the powers of the Commonwealth Auditor-General and the Australian National Audit Office suit the modern public sector environment? The Public Accounts and Audit Committee has launched a new inquiry into the provisions of the Auditor-General Act 1997. Submissions are due by Thursday 9 April 2009. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/jpa or email jpa.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4615.

Students have their say on study and work

The House of Representatives Education and Training Committee is inviting Year 10-12 students to complete an online survey on combining work and study as part of its public inquiry into supporting successful youth transitions from school to work. The online survey is at: www.aph.gov.au/studentssurvey

Organisations and individuals wishing to contribute to the inquiry can still send in submissions. For more information visit www.aph.gov.au/edt or email edt.reps@aph.gov.au or phone (02) 6277 4573.

Free magazine

Get your free copy of the About the House magazine by emailing lisa.reps@aph.gov.au or phone freecall 1-800-139-239. The March edition includes features on how Year 10 to 12 students are combining study with work, stopping the spread of nuclear weapons, trade relations with ASEAN and a looming global food crisis. For the latest news from the House of Representatives and its committees visit www.aph.gov.au/ath where you can now find video news items and audio clips on the latest public inquiries, as well as replays of Question Time.



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