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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOTICE PAPER

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WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH 2004

*The House meets this day at 9 a.m.***GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Orders of the day**

- 1 **TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 9) 2003** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Roxon*).
- 2 **INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER OF PRISONERS AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- 3 **GREAT BARRIER REEF MARINE PARK AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister for the Environment and Heritage*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 February 2004—Mr G. M. O'Connor*).
- 4 **MIGRATION AMENDMENT (DURATION OF DETENTION) BILL 2004** (*Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Cox*).
- 5 **NEW INTERNATIONAL TAX ARRANGEMENTS BILL 2003** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Roxon*).
- 6 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (NORTHERN TERRITORY REPRESENTATION) BILL 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Snowden*).
- 7 **TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (2004 MEASURES NO. 1) BILL 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- 8 **HEALTH AND AGEING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 26 June 2003*).
- 9 **AUSTRALIAN SPORTS DRUG AGENCY AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Minister representing the Minister for the Arts and Sport*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- 10 **TEXTILE, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR STRATEGIC INVESTMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 18 February 2004—Mr G. M. O'Connor*).
- 11 **HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (ABOLITION OF COMPULSORY UP-FRONT STUDENT UNION FEES) BILL 2003** (*Minister for Education, Science and Training*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 17 September 2003—Mr Griffin*).
- 12 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (AWARD SIMPLIFICATION) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 13 November 2002—Mr Melham*).
- 13 **SEX DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 27 June 2002—Mr Edwards*).
- 14 **INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Minister for Foreign Affairs*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 15 October 2003—Mr Cox*).

* Notifications to which an asterisk (*) is prefixed appear for the first time

† Debate to be adjourned to a future day at the conclusion of the time allotted.

Notices

1 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That standing orders 93, 94 and 399 be suspended for the remainder of this period of sittings, except when a motion is moved pursuant to the applicable standing order by a Minister. (*Notice given 18 June 2003.*)

2 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That, for the remainder of this period of sittings, standing order 45 be amended to read as follows:

When want of quorum noticed, House counted – House adjourned

45 If any Member takes notice that a quorum of Members is not present, the Speaker shall count the House; and, if a quorum is not present within four minutes, the Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day: Provided that if the Speaker is satisfied there is likely to be a quorum within a reasonable time the Speaker shall announce that he or she will take the Chair at a stated time; but if at that time there is not a quorum the Speaker shall adjourn the House to the next sitting day and provided further that on the second or any subsequent occasion during a sitting day on which any Member takes notice that a quorum is not present the Speaker shall have discretion whether to proceed with business or to count the House. (*Notice given 19 June 2003.*)

3 **MR ABBOTT:** To move—That standing order 399 be suspended for the remainder of this period of sittings, except when a motion is moved pursuant to the standing order by a Minister. (*Notice given 18 June 2003.*)

Orders of the day—*continued*

- 15 **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT) AMENDMENT (EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT AND COMPLIANCE) BILL 2002** (*Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 26 June 2002—Mr Cox*).
- 16 **ELECTORAL AND REFERENDUM AMENDMENT (ROLL INTEGRITY AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2002** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 14 March 2002—Mr Albanese*).
- 17 **CIVIL AVIATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (MUTUAL RECOGNITION WITH NEW ZEALAND AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2003** (*Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 25 June 2003—Mr Cox*).
- 18 **DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr McClelland*).
- 19 **DAIRY PRODUCE AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr Cox*).
- 20 **IMPORT PROCESSING CHARGES (AMENDMENT AND REPEAL) AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Roxon*).
- 21 **TREASURY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS) BILL 2003** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Roxon*).
- 22 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) AMENDMENT BILL 2004** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- 23 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (PERSONAL INJURIES AND DEATH) BILL (NO. 2) 2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- 24 **FAMILY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (EXTENSION OF TIME LIMITS) BILL 2003** Consideration of Senate's message No 361 (*from 27 November 2003*).
- 25 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (PERSONAL INJURIES AND DEATH) BILL 2003:** Consideration of Senate's message No. 407. (*from 11 February 2004*).
- *26 **AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 2003:** Consideration of Senate's amendments. (*from 2 March 2004*).
- 27 **IRAQ—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2003—Mr Evans, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Andren, viz.—That the following words be added to the motion: “and insists that in the absence of specific, unambiguous and unanimous support of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, Australian defence forces not be involved in any military action in Iraq”—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr McClelland to the*

proposed amendment, viz.—That all words after “and” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words:

- “(1) condemns the Government for forward-deploying Australian troops to a potential theatre of war with Iraq in the absence of any United Nations authorisation and without revealing to the Australian people the commitments on which that deployment was based;
 - (2) declares its opposition to a unilateral military attack on Iraq by the United States;
 - (3) insists that the disarmament of Iraq proceed under the authority of the United Nations;
 - (4) expresses its full support and confidence in our servicemen and women, while expressing its opposition to the Government’s decision to forward-deploy them;
 - (5) expresses its total opposition to any use of nuclear arms and declares that Australian support should not be provided to any operation where such weaponry may be used; and
 - (6) declares that it has no confidence in the Prime Minister’s handling of this grave matter for the nation”.
- 28 **RENEWABLE ENERGY (ELECTRICITY) AMENDMENT BILL 2002:** Consideration of Senate’s amendments (*from 13 December 2002, a.m.*).
- 29 **GOVERNOR-GENERAL:** Consideration of Senate’s message No. 258 (*from 15 May 2003*).
- *30 **TREATIES—WITHDRAWAL FROM THE AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, ROME, 13 JUNE 1976—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 2 March 2004—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 31 **NATIONAL SECURITY AND RECENT OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENTS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr McClelland*) on the motion of Mrs D. S. Vale—That the House take note of the paper.
- 32 **AUSTRALIAN TECHNOLOGY GROUP LTD—2003 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 33 **AUSTRALIAN TECHNOLOGY GROUP LTD—STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT 2003-2004—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 34 **AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF HEALTH AND WELFARE—AUSTRALIA’S WELFARE 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 35 **AUSTRALIAN FILM COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 2002-2003 ERRATUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 36 **AUSTRALIAN COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY—TELECOMMUNICATIONS PERFORMANCE REPORT 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 37 **ENTERPRISE AND CAREER EDUCATION FOUNDATION—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 38 **ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SERVICES—CENTRAL LAND COUNCIL—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 39 **ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SERVICES—LOWER DALY LAND CLAIM NO. 68—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 40 **ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SERVICES—LOWER DALY LAND CLAIM NO. 68—REPORT: EXPLANATORY STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER FOR IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 41 **ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SERVICES—SEVEN EMU REGIONAL LAND CLAIM NO. 186, WOLLOGORANG AREA 11 LAND CLAIM NO. 187 AND PART OF MANANGOORA REGIONAL LAND CLAIM NO. 185—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of

debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.

- 42 **ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SERVICES—SEVEN EMU REGIONAL LAND CLAIM NO. 186, WOLLOGORANG AREA 11 LAND CLAIM NO. 187 AND PART OF MANANGOORA REGIONAL LAND CLAIM NO. 185—REPORT: EXPLANATORY STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER FOR IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 43 **OFFICIAL ESTABLISHMENTS TRUST—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 44 **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION—CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 45 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE—SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE FLIGHTS: JANUARY TO JUNE 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 46 **PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION: JANUARY TO JUNE 2003—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 47 **FORMER PARLIAMENTARIANS' TRAVEL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION: JANUARY TO JUNE 2003—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 48 **EXPENDITURE ON TRAVEL BY FORMER GOVERNORS-GENERAL PAID BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET: JANUARY TO JUNE 2003—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 49 **STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT: COORDINATING CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 50 **PRIVACY AMENDMENT BILL 2003—EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 51 **UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 52 **PROTOCOL TO PREVENT, SUPPRESS AND PUNISH TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, ESPECIALLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 53 **PROTOCOL AGAINST THE SMUGGLING OF MIGRANTS BY LAND, SEA AND AIR (PEOPLE SMUGGLING PROTOCOL)—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 54 **TWELFTH ANNUAL STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT ON AUSTRALIA'S DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROGRAM—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 2003—Mr Downer*) on the motion of Mr Downer—That the House take note of the paper.
- 55 **STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) ACT 2000—REPORT ON FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS TO EACH STATE IN RESPECT OF 2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 56 **EMPLOYMENT NATIONAL—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 November 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.

- 57 **MILITARY COMMISSIONS FOR GUANTANAMO BAY DETAINEES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003—Mr Truss*) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the paper.
- 58 **AUSTRALIA AND THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 59 **MIGRATION AGENTS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 60 **JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL MATTERS—REPORT ON INTEGRITY OF THE ELECTORAL ROLE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 October 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 61 **JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL MATTERS—REPORT ON THE 2001 ELECTION—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 October 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 62 **ALBURY-WODONGA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—REPORT FOR 2002-03—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 October 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 63 **OPERATION OF THE AGED CARE ACT 1997—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 October 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 64 **CRIMES ACT 1914 PART 1AB CONTROLLED OPERATIONS—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 7 October 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 65 **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY IMPROVEMENT BILL 2003—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 September 2003—Mr Abbott*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 66 **NATIONAL SAFE SCHOOLS FRAMEWORK—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 September 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Tuckey—That the House take note of the paper.
- 67 **RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA—REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 11 September 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 68 **QUARTERLY REPORT ON MOVEMENT CAP FOR SYDNEY AIRPORT APRIL TO JUNE 2003—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 10 September 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 69 **DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE—PAPER—APEC: AUSTRALIA'S INDIVIDUAL ACTION PLAN 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 September 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 70 **AGREEMENT DONE AT TOWNSVILLE ON 24 JULY 2003 BETWEEN SOLOMON ISLANDS, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, FIJI, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, SAMOA AND TONGA—TREATY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 9 September 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 71 **OFFICE OF THE RENEWABLE ENERGY REGULATOR—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 21 August 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 72 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—49TH REPORT—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 August 2003—Ms Gillard*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 73 **STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 40(3) ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMISSION ACT 1989—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 August 2003—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Mr Ruddock—That the House take note of the paper.

- 74 **INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR OUTREACH SERVICES LEGISLATION—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 August 2003—Mr M. J. Ferguson*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 75 **MURRAY-DARLING BASIN COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 12 August 2003—Mr M. J. Ferguson*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 76 **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE ENFORCEMENT OF COPYRIGHT IN AUSTRALIA—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 77 **WESTERN AUSTRALIAN FISHERIES JOINT AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 78 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO REPORT 48—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 79 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO REPORT 50—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr McGauran—That the House take note of the paper.
- 80 **AUSTRALIAN RIVER CO. LTD—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 June 2003—Mr McMullan*) on the motion of Jackie Kelly—That the House take note of the paper.
- 81 **PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFITS PRICING AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 82 **PRIVATE HEALTH INSURANCE—REPORT ON PREMIUM INCREASES FOR THE QUARTER ENDING 31 MARCH 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 83 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS INTERCEPTION ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 June 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 84 **AUSTRALIAN MARITIME COLLEGE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 June 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 85 **AUSTRALIAN LAND TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 June 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 86 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORTS—FROM PHANTOM TO FORCE: TOWARDS A MORE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE ARMY—A MODEL FOR A NEW ARMY: COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON ‘FROM PHANTOM TO FORCE’ PARLIAMENTARY REPORT INTO THE ARMY—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 June 2003—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 87 **INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION CONVENTIONS NOS 83, 85 AND 86—TREATIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 May 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 88 **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING—HIGHER EDUCATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 14 May 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 89 **REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE COLLAPSE OF HIH INSURANCE—VOLUMES I-III—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 May 2003—Ms Roxon*) on the motion of Mr Williams—That the House take note of the paper.
- 90 **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY: VOLUME 1 AND VOLUMES 3 TO 11—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 27 March 2003—Mr Barresi*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the papers.

- 91 **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT ON THE REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY: VOLUME 2 AND VOLUMES 12 TO 22—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Resumption of debate (*from 26 March 2003—Mr Barresi*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the papers.
- 92 **NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 February 2003—Ms Macklin*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 93 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 29 August 2002—Mr Swan*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 94 **MIGRATION AGENTS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 February 2003—Mr Latham*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.
- 95 **TARIFF PROPOSALS** (*Mr Slipper*):
- Customs Tariff Proposals No. 3 (2002)—*moved 16 September 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr K. J. Thomson*).
 - Customs Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2003)—*moved 27 March 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Sidebottom*).
 - Customs Tariff Proposal No. 3 (2003)—*moved 25 June 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Customs Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2003)—*moved 25 June 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Customs Tariff Proposal No. 5 (2003)—*moved 17 September 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Sidebottom*).
 - Customs Tariff Proposal No. 6 (2003)—*moved 16 October 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Ms Macklin*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2002)—*moved 21 February 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Zahra*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 2 (2002)—*moved 29 May 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Dr Lawrence*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 3 (2002)—*moved 26 June 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2002)—*moved 16 September 2002*—Resumption of debate (*Mr K. J. Thomson*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 1 (2003)—*moved 25 June 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 2 (2003)—*moved 25 June 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 3 (2003)—*moved 25 June 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Cox*).
 - Excise Tariff Proposal No. 4 (2003)—*moved 17 September 2003*—Resumption of debate (*Mr Sidebottom*).
- 96 **PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS BROADCASTING AMENDMENT BILL 2002:** Second reading (*from 12 February 2002*).

Contingent notices of motion

Contingent on any bill being brought in and read a first time: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the second reading being made an order of the day for a later hour.

Contingent on any report relating to a bill being received from the Main Committee: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Contingent on any bill being agreed to at the conclusion of the consideration in detail stage: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion for the third reading being moved without delay.

Contingent on any message being received from the Senate transmitting any bill for concurrence: Minister to move—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

BUSINESS ACCORDED PRIORITY FOR MONDAY, 8 MARCH 2004, PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 331

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

Presentation and statements

- *1 **PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO JAPAN AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA:** Report. (*Statements to conclude by 12.45 p.m.*)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Notices

1 **MR ORGAN:** To present a Bill for an Act to provide for the appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate the accuracy, independence and use of intelligence information that contributed to the decision to invade Iraq in 2003; and for related purposes. (*Invasion of Iraq Royal Commission (Restoring Public Trust in Government) Bill 2004*) (Notice given 1 March 2004. Time allowed—5 minutes.)

†2 **MR LLOYD:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the outstanding efforts being made by teachers, staff and parents in both Government and non-Government schools in delivering quality education to Australia's 3.3 million school students;
- (2) notes that:
 - (a) Australia's 3.3 million school students, and their parents, are entitled to a choice of quality education;
 - (b) 2.25 million students attend state schools and receive \$19.9 billion in public funding;
 - (c) 1.04 million students attend Catholic and independent schools across Australia and receive a total of \$6.2 billion in public funding; and
 - (d) under the Australian Constitution, state schools are the responsibility of the State and Territory Governments and they have the major financial responsibility for them;
- (3) condemns the State Governments for their failure to match the Australian Government's increase in spending on State Government Schools; and
- (4) criticises the Australian Education Union for its misleading and deceptive one million dollar media campaign over education funding. (Notice given 1 March 2004. Time allowed—remaining private Members' business time prior to 1.45 p.m.)

†3 **MS ROXON:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges today as International Women's Day, when women across the globe mark the importance of continuing the struggle for equality and fairness, and fight against discrimination in all its forms;
- (2) acknowledges the massive contribution of Australian women to our community, through both their paid and unpaid work;
- (3) urges the development and introduction of better policies to support women in both their work and family lives; and
- (4) calls for the introduction of measures to combat the barriers (such as violence, poverty and discrimination) to women's healthy, safe and independent participation in our society, and for such measures to be adequately resourced. (Notice given 1 March 2004. Time allowed—30 minutes.)

†4 **MR JOHNSON:** To move—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the importance and value of international trade and commerce in strengthening bilateral relations between countries;
- (2) recognises the enormous economic benefits to Australia of the recently negotiated Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America; and
- (3) calls on the Opposition to support the recently signed Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the United States of America in Australia's long-term national interest. (Notice given 17 February 2004. Time allowed—remaining private Members' business time.)

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS—*continued*

Orders of the day

1 **PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE CONDUCT OF DIVISIONS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 August 2003—Mrs May, in continuation*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)

- 2 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—53RD REPORT—TREATIES TABLED IN MAY AND JUNE 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 August 2003—Ms J. I. Bishop, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms J. I. Bishop—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 3 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE DRAFT FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 20 August 2003—Mr Charles, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Charles—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 4 **INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON IMPEDIMENTS TO INCREASING INVESTMENT IN MINERALS AND PETROLEUM EXPLORATION IN AUSTRALIA—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 September 2003—Mr Prosser, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Prosser—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 5 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE REPORT FOR 2001-2002—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003—Mr Scott, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Scott—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 6 **NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO PAY PARKING IN THE PARLIAMENTARY ZONE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003—Mr Neville, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Neville—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 7 **ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF AGENCY SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003—Mr Jull, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Jull—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 8 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON TREATIES TABLED ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 October 2003—Mr Wilkie, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Wilkie—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 9 **AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO EAST TIMOR—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003—Mr Adams, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Adams—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 10 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—THE DEFENCE SUB-COMMITTEE VISIT TO RAAF WILLIAMTOWN, DARWIN ESTABLISHMENTS, EAST TIMOR AND RAAF TINDAL—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003—Mr Scott, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Scott—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 11 **PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REVISED STANDING ORDERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003—Mrs Gallus*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 12 **PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—TRIAL OF ADDITIONAL TELLERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2003—Mrs May, in continuation*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 13 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT 57: CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974 AND THE SHIP AND PORT FACILITY SECURITY CODE (ISPS)—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Dr Southcott, in continuation*)

on the motion of Dr Southcott—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

- 14 **NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—REPORT—EFFECTIVENESS OF THE NATIONAL NATIVE TITLE TRIBUNAL—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Mr Secker, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Secker—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 15 **ASIO, ASIS AND DSD—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—INTELLIGENCE ON IRAQ'S WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 March 2004—Mr Jull, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Jull—That the House take note of the report. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—*continued*

Notices given for Wednesday, 3 March 2004

- *1 **MR DANBY:** To move—That this House congratulates the Australian winners of Academy Awards in 2004, in particular:
- (1) Adam Elliot of St Kilda in the electoral division of Melbourne Ports for winning the best animated short film for *Harvie Krumpet*; and
 - (2) Russell Boyd for winning best cinematography for *Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World*. (*Notice given 2 March 2004.*)
- *2 **MR BALDWIN:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes that in 1995 the NSW Government handed over 118km of substandard roads to Dungog Shire Council, without financial support to maintain, fix or repair those extra roads;
 - (2) notes that this was an unrealistic shift in responsibilities, particularly for a small council that does not have the revenue or population to maintain this length of road on top of its existing responsibilities;
 - (3) recognises that this shift resulted in Dungog Council having financial responsibility for the maintenance of roads that have a total length longer than the combined responsibilities of regional roads in Newcastle, Maitland and Lake Macquarie shires;
 - (4) condemns the NSW Government for failing to properly compensate the council for this extra burden in road funding for almost nine years, which has resulted in Dungog Council going into a downward spiral in maintenance;
 - (5) recognises the importance of Commonwealth Government programs such as Roads to Recovery, Blackspot Road Funding and Financial Assistance Grants, which provide direct funding to councils; and
 - (6) calls on the NSW Government to provide urgent funding to Dungog Council to pay for the repair and maintenance of roads handed to them in 1995, to make roads safer for motorists and to attract further investment in existing or potential industry. (*Notice given 2 March 2004.*)
- *3 **MS HOARE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the importance of a National Anthem for Australia;
 - (2) notes that changes to Australia's National Anthem have occurred from time to time; and
 - (3) encourages a public discussion on the current lyrics of Australia's National Anthem. (*Notice given 2 March 2004.*)

Notices—*continued*

- 1 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises that the *Hansard* record on the parliamentary website should pre-date the current cut-off of 1984;
 - (2) acknowledges the national benefit that would be derived from a more comprehensive record being made available as well as the benefit to Members of Parliament and their staff;

- (3) notes that the proposed Centenary project to have all the *Hansard* records incorporated was unable to be finalised apparently because of the cost; and
- (4) urges the Presiding Officers to re-examine the proposal and at least attempt to extend the current scope of the *Hansard* available on the Web even if it has to be staged over a number of Parliaments. (*Notice given 15 September 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

2 **MR KERR:** To move—That this House:

- (1) recognises that smoking tobacco products is the single largest cause of preventable death in Australia;
- (2) is of the opinion that it is inappropriate that public policy be, or be thought to be, influenced by donations made by tobacco companies;
- (3) acknowledges that any political party that unilaterally declines to accept donations from the tobacco industry risks disadvantaging itself;
- (4) expresses its opinion that it is reasonable on health and public policy grounds to effectively discourage political parties from accepting donations from the tobacco industry; and
- (5) accordingly supports the principle that it be a condition of eligibility to receive public funding under the Electoral Act that a political party not accept any donations from the tobacco industry. (*Notice given 7 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

3 **MR DANBY:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes that Monday, 13 October 2003 is the 160th anniversary of the founding of B'nai B'rith;
- (2) notes that B'nai B'rith is the largest Jewish community service organisation in the world today with branches in 51 countries including Australia and holds NGO consultative status at the United Nations, UNESCO and the UN Commission on Human Rights;
- (3) notes that for 160 years B'nai B'rith has provided continuing support and assistance to both Jewish and non-Jewish people in Australia and throughout the world, particularly those in need or sick, the aged and people suffering persecution;
- (4) notes that B'nai B'rith continues to promote the ideals and principles of peace, philanthropy, support for science and the arts, relief from suffering and the advancement of humankind; and
- (5) congratulates B'nai B'rith on its 160th anniversary. (*Notice given 13 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

4 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing orders 142 and 151 be amended as follows:

Questions to Ministers

142 Questions may be put to a Minister relating to public affairs with which the Minister is officially connected, to proceedings pending in the House, or to any matter of administration for which the Minister is responsible.

- (a) Questions may be in writing and placed on the Notice Paper for written reply.
- (b) Questions may be asked orally without notice for immediate reply and 10 questions may be asked by non-Government Members and 10 by Government Members.

Questions without notice—Supplementary questions

151 Supplementary questions may be asked to elucidate and answer.

- (a) One or more supplementary questions may be asked for each question except that:
- (b) No more than 4 supplementary questions in total may be asked by Government Members and no more than 4 supplementary questions in total may be asked by non-Government Members at question time. (*Notice given 16 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

5 **MR BEVIS:** To move—That this House:

- (1) notes with grave concern the detention of two Australian citizens, Mr David Hicks and Mr Mamdouh Habib at Guantanamo Bay Cuba by the United States administration;
- (2) notes that even the worst war criminals from Nazi Germany were afforded a full court hearing open to public scrutiny;
- (3) notes that David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib have received only very limited access to legal advice;
- (4) notes that David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib have been denied access to their families;

- (5) notes that David Hicks and Mamdouh Habib have been denied natural justice and are being held at the sole discretion of the President of the United States of America in whatever circumstances he deems fit; and
- (6) calls on the President of the United States of America either to lay charges immediately against these Australians to be heard in an open court of law or release them for return to Australia where any legal proceedings can be pursued in accordance with Australian law. (*Notice given 24 October 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 6 **MR HAWKER:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises the respect accorded to all Australian Prime Ministers when they visit other countries, including the United States of America;
 - (2) notes the courteous and dignified manner in which the President of the United States of America, the Honourable George W. Bush, conducted himself during the joint meeting of the House and the Senate on 23 October;
 - (3) acknowledges the courteous and respectful way in which the overwhelming majority of Members and Senators participated in the proceedings;
 - (4) deplors any disorderly and/or offensive behaviour by a Member or Senator towards any guest of the Australian Parliament. (*Notice given 3 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 7 **MR CADMAN:** To move—That this House calls on the Coalition in Iraq, the international community and the United Nations to ensure that:
- (1) Assyrians will be constitutionally recognised as the indigenous people of Iraq;
 - (2) all Assyrians who have been forced to take refuge outside of Iraq during the last century and who, or whose descendants, are residing outside of Iraq are granted dual citizenship;
 - (3) Assyrians will be entitled to proper representation and participation in all levels of government;
 - (4) Assyrians will be constitutionally guaranteed the right to freely exercise their customs, religion, language and traditions;
 - (5) the homes, lands and property of all Assyrians (not limited to those presently living in Iraq) previously confiscated and forcefully removed from the Assyrians will be returned;
 - (6) all Assyrians previously forced to leave Iraq will have the right to return to their ancestral and ancient homeland;
 - (7) all Assyrian antiquities and museums are placed in the care and ownership of Assyrians with all income generated therefrom used for the protection of Assyrian history; and
 - (8) the current designation of the eighteen provinces that include the provinces of Nineveh (Ninawa) and Dohuk is maintained. (*Notice given 4 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 8 **MR FITZGIBBON:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes that the proposed National Highway project linking the northern end of the F3 Freeway and the New England Highway north of Branxton remains unconstructed;
 - (2) notes the importance of the project to the Hunter's economic and social well-being and the economic and social well-being of regions further north and west; and
 - (3) calls upon the Howard Government to immediately commit to both an acceptable construction timetable and to construction funding. (*Notice given 24 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 9 **MR MOSSFIELD:** To move—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges:
 - (a) the need for leadership role models for young people across a diversity of fields and professions and that the role of teachers in the education system is imperative in achieving this objective;
 - (b) that healthy vibrant town centres, well resourced with youth facilities such as libraries, entertainment facilities, community facilities and accessible transport, ensure positive youth participation in the community;
 - (c) that social and peer pressure add to the challenges that today's youth face, which can often lead to depression and youth suicide; and

- (d) the difficulties faced by students forced to juggle work and academic participation in relation to wages, exploitation and time management; and
- (2) urges the Government to:
 - (a) encourage the promotion of positive role models, both male and female, to inspire and lead the expanding youth population of the Western Sydney region;
 - (b) increase its focus on urban development and planning to aid the growing needs of today's youth;
 - (c) make available a variety of options to address the important issue of depression and youth suicide; and
 - (d) promote youth participation by encouraging the establishment of a wider range of forums for young people to be able to voice their concerns and that these forums should involve all levels of government and the community. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

10 MR PRICE: To move—

- (1) That standing order 28B be amended by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph (b):
 - (ba) annual and additional estimates contained in the appropriation bills presented to the House shall stand referred for consideration by Members of the relevant committee (as determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) for the consideration of annual reports), and, for the purposes of this consideration:
 - (i) six Members of each committee, determined by the committee in each case, shall consider the estimates;
 - (ii) the Members of the committee selected to consider the estimates shall meet with Members of the relevant Senate legislation committee so that the Members and Senators may meet together for the purposes of considering the estimates;
 - (iii) members of the relevant House and Senate committees, when meeting together to consider estimates, shall choose a Member or a Senator to chair the joint meetings;
 - (iv) the provisions of Senate standing order 26 shall, to the extent that they are applicable, apply to the consideration of estimates under this paragraph; and
 - (v) that, upon the completion of joint meetings at which evidence is received or written answers or additional information considered, it shall then be a matter for the Members of the relevant committee to consider the terms of any report to the House on the estimates.
- (2) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

11 MR PRICE: To move—

- (1) That a Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing be appointed to inquire into:
 - (a) proposals for the annual estimates and the additional estimates for the House of Representatives;
 - (b) proposals to vary the staff structure of the House of Representatives, and staffing and recruitment policies; and
 - (c) such other matters as are referred to it by the House;
- (2) That the committee shall:
 - (a) in relation to estimates—
 - (i) determine the amounts for inclusion in the parliamentary appropriation bills for the annual and the additional appropriations; and
 - (ii) report to the House upon its determinations prior to the consideration by the House of the relevant parliamentary appropriation bill; and
 - (b) in relation to staffing—
 - (i) make recommendations to the Speaker; and
 - (ii) report to the House on its determinations prior to the consideration by the House of the relevant parliamentary appropriation bill;
- (3) That the committee consist of the Speaker and 11 other members, 6 members to be nominated by the Chief Government Whip or Whips and 5 members to be nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip or Whips or any independent Member;
- (4) That the committee elect a Government member as its chair;

- (5) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall act as chair of the committee at any time when the chair is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chair and deputy chair are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to act as chairman at that meeting;
- (6) That the committee have power to appoint subcommittees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to any subcommittee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine;
- (7) That the committee appoint the chair of each subcommittee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chair of a subcommittee is not present at a meeting of the subcommittee the members of the subcommittee present shall elect another member of that subcommittee to act as chair at that meeting;
- (8) That the quorum of a subcommittee be a majority of the members of that subcommittee;
- (9) That members of the committee who are not members of a subcommittee may participate in the public proceedings of that subcommittee but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum;
- (10) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to send for persons, papers and records;
- (11) That the committee or any subcommittee have power to move from place to place;
- (12) That a subcommittee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House;
- (13) That the committee have leave to report from time to time; and
- (14) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

- 12 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by amending standing order 94 to read as follows:

Closure of Member

94 A motion may be made that a Member who is speaking, except a Member giving a notice of motion or formally moving the terms of a motion allowed under the standing orders or speaking to a motion of dissent (from any ruling of the Speaker under standing order 100), “be not further heard”, and such question shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

- 13 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 129 be omitted and the following standing order substituted:

Presentation of petitions

129 At the time provided for the presentation of petitions, the following arrangements shall apply to the presentation of petitions certified to be in conformity with the standing orders:

- (a) in respect of each petition, the petitioner, or one of the petitioners, may present the petition to the House by standing at the Bar of the House and reading to the House the prayer of the petition, and
- (b) where a petitioner is not able to present the petition in accordance with paragraph (a) of this standing order, the Member who has lodged the petition may present it to the House by reading to the House the prayer of the petition. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

- 14 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by inserting the following standing order after standing order 143:

Questions to committee chairs

143A Questions may be put to a Member in his or her capacity as Chair of a committee of the House, or of a joint committee, in connection with the work or duties of the committee in question. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

- 15 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the standing orders be amended by inserting the following standing order after standing order 145:

Questions without notice—Time limits

145A During question time:

- (a) the asking of each question may not exceed 1 minute and the answering of each question may not exceed 4 minutes;
- (b) the asking of each supplementary question may not exceed 1 minute and the answering of each supplementary question may not exceed 1 minute; and
- (c) the time taken to make and determine points of order is not to be regarded as part of the time for questions and answers. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 16 **MR PRICE:** To move—That the following amendment to the standing orders be adopted for the remainder of this session:
- Questions from citizens**
- 148A** (a) A Member may give notice of a question in terms proposed by a person who lives in the Member's electoral division.
- (b) Notice of a question given under this standing order may show the name of the person who has proposed the question.
- (c) A Member may not give more than 25 notices of questions under this sessional order in a calendar year.
- (d) Nothing in this standing order may be taken to mean that a Member must give notice of a question proposed to the Member by a person who lives in the Member's electoral division. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 17 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) refers to the Standing Committee on Procedure the draft Framework of Ethical Principles for Members and Senators and the draft Framework of Ethical Principles for Ministers and Presiding Officers dated 1995;
- (2) seeks advice from the Procedure Committee as to the continuing validity or otherwise of the drafts; and
- (3) requests the Procedure Committee to confer with the Procedure Committee of the Senate in its consideration of these matters. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 18 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 145 be omitted and the following standing orders be adopted:
- 145A** The answer to a question without notice shall be relevant and:
- (a) shall be concise and confined to the subject matter of the question;
- (b) shall relate to public affairs with which the Minister is officially connected, to proceedings in the House, or to any other matter of administration for which the Minister is responsible; and
- (c) shall not debate the subject to which the question refers.
- 145B** The standing orders that apply to the asking of a question without notice shall generally apply to the answer.
- 145C** An answer to a question on notice shall be relevant to the question and shall be provided to the Member who asked the question within 30 days. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 19 **MR PRICE:** To move—That standing order 330 be replaced with the following:
- (a) A Standing Committee on Modernisation and Procedure of the House of Representatives shall be appointed to inquire into and report on practices and procedures of the House generally with a view to making recommendations for their improvement or change and for the development of new procedures.
- (b) The committee shall consist of the Speaker or his appointed Deputy Speaker, The Leader of the House or his appointed Deputy, the Manager of Opposition Business or his appointed Deputy and eight Members, four government Members and four non-government Members.
- (c) The Secretary of the Committee will be the Clerk or his Deputy. (*Notice given 26 November 2003. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 20 **MS GEORGE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) notes the cost of providing pneumococcal vaccine would be approximately \$60 million per year;

- (2) notes that in 2002 there were 1,897 cases of pneumococcal across Australia and 168 deaths;
- (3) notes that to date the Government has only agreed to fund pneumococcal vaccine for a small proportion of children at risk;
- (4) notes that the cost of pneumococcal immunisation of around \$500 per child is prohibitive for many families; and
- (6) calls on the Government to act urgently upon the recommendations of the National Health and Medical Research Council to provide pneumococcal immunisations free to all children. (*Notice given 10 February 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

21 **MR ORGAN:** To move—That this House:

- (1) condemns without reservation, the recent Labor Party announcement that Wilton is a preferred site for the second Sydney airport;
- (2) notes that an airport at Wilton would have a very significant negative effect upon the quality of life of residents of the Illawarra, and the Federal electoral divisions of Cunningham, Gilmore, Hume and Throsby in particular; and
- (3) is alarmed at the potential for an adverse environmental impact of an airport at Wilton, given that the area is a major freshwater water catchment for the people of Sydney, the Illawarra and surrounding areas. (*Notice given 10 February 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

22 **MR BEVIS:** To move—That:

- (1) the House, noting that all Members and Senators are required to make declarations of relevant interests and those of their spouses and dependent children, and believing that it would be in the public interest for members of the Federal Parliamentary Press Gallery (FPPG) (including broadcast and press journalists and those who write or present news and current affair items but not camera crew, sound technicians or other support staff) to make similar declarations, resolves that, within 28 days of being issued with a photographic pass enabling a person to have access to Parliament House as a member of the FPPG, the person must provide to the Serjeant-at-Arms a statement of:
 - (i) the person's registrable interests, and
 - (ii) the registrable interests of which the person is aware (a) of the person's spouse and (b) of any children who are wholly or mainly dependent on the person for support,
 in accordance with the resolution adopted by the House and in a form determined by the Speaker from time to time, and shall also notify any alteration of those interests to the Serjeant-at-Arms within 28 days of that alteration occurring.
- (2) the statement of registrable interests to be provided by a person shall include the registrable interests of which the person is aware (1) of the person's spouse and (2) of any children who are wholly or mainly dependent on the person for support, and shall cover the following matters:
 - (a) shareholdings in public and private companies (including holding companies) indicating the name of the company or companies
 - (b) family and business trusts and nominee companies—
 - (i) in which a beneficial interest is held, indicating the name of the trust, the nature of its operation and beneficial interest, and
 - (ii) in which the person, the person's spouse, or a child who is wholly or mainly dependent on the person for support, is a trustee (but not including a trustee of an estate where no beneficial interest is held by the person, the person's spouse or dependent children), indicating the name of the trust, the nature of its operation and the beneficiary of the trust;
 - (c) real estate, including the location (suburb or area only) and the purpose for which it is owned;
 - (d) registered directorships of companies;
 - (e) partnerships indicating the nature of the interests and the activities of the partnership;
 - (f) liabilities indicating the nature of the liability and the creditor concerned;
 - (g) the nature of any bonds, debentures and like investments;
 - (h) saving or investment accounts, indicating their nature and the name of the bank or other institutions concerned;
 - (i) the nature of any other assets (excluding household and personal effects) each valued at over \$7500;

- (j) the nature of any other substantial sources of income;
 - (k) gifts valued at more than \$750 received from official sources, or at more than \$300 where received from other than official sources provided that a gift received by the person, the person's spouse or dependant children from family members or personal friends in a purely personal capacity need not be registered unless the person judges that an appearance of conflict of interest may be seen to exist;
 - (l) any sponsored travel or hospitality received where the value of the sponsored travel or hospitality exceeds \$300;
 - (m) membership of any organisation where a conflict of interest with the person's duties could foreseeably arise or be seen to arise; and
 - (n) any other interests where a conflict of interest with the person's duties could foreseeably arise or be seen to arise.
- (3) the Speaker make arrangements for copies of declarations of interest made under this resolution to be made available for inspection by any interested person.
- (4) a FPPG pecuniary interests committee (consisting of the Speaker or his nominee, who shall chair the committee, and one member of the House of Representatives nominated by the Chief Government Whip, and one member of the House of Representatives nominated by the Chief Opposition whip, and two members of the FPPG selected by a ballot of those members of the FPPG to whom this motion applies) may order the cancellation of the Parliament House pass of a person to whom this resolution applies if that person has:
- (a) knowingly failed to provide a statement of registrable interests to the Serjeant-at-Arms by the due-date;
 - (b) knowingly failed to notify any alteration of those interests to the Serjeant-at-Arms within 28 days of the change occurring, or
 - (c) knowingly provided false or misleading information to the Serjeant-at-Arms. (*Notice given 12 February 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 23 **MR PRICE:** To move—That this House:
- (1) congratulates the congregation of Blacktown Seventh Day Adventists on the occasion of the anniversary of seventy years of continuous service at their Church at Newton Road, Blacktown;
 - (2) notes that the first SDA church in the Blacktown area was constructed at Church Lane, Prospect;
 - (3) notes that the Church Lane Church was the third SDA Church in NSW, established ten years after Adventism first came to Australia; and
 - (4) expresses appreciation to the Blacktown SDA for their fine and continuing contribution to the city of Blacktown. (*Notice given 18 February 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 24 **MS PLIBERSEK:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recalls the key role played by Australia's Chifley Government in developing the Geneva Convention on Genocide and reaffirms Australia's commitment to international treaties that aim to punish those who commit crimes against humanity, war crimes and other major human rights violations;
 - (2) notes that at present Australia has no domestic legislation enabling the prosecution in Australian courts of the following international crimes committed outside Australia by people who subsequently settled here:
 - (a) Genocide (the *Genocide Convention Act 1949* did not make genocide a crime under Australian law; it only approved ratification of the Convention);
 - (b) Crimes Against Humanity (other than torture after 1988 and hostage taking after 1989); and
 - (c) War Crimes committed in the context of non-international armed conflicts anywhere in the world at any time, or committed in the context of an international conflict prior to 1957 (except Europe 1939-1945); and
 - (3) calls on the Government to close the gaps in Australia's domestic laws that allow accused criminals to live here without fear of prosecution. (*Notice given 19 February 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 25 **MRS MAY:** To move—That this House:
- (1) recognises that:

- (a) poverty and hunger remain the most important challenges facing the international community;
 - (b) the United Nation's World Food Program (WFP) remains the most effective way of alleviating world poverty; and
 - (c) the WFP's mandate and mission are strongly relevant to Australia's overall humanitarian objectives;
- (2) also recognises that:
- (a) the alleviation of poverty assists the building of political stability, aids in the provision of education and training, and lowers levels of sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS;
 - (b) the work of the WFP in its "Food for Work," program assists in the provision of much needed infrastructure in some of the world's poorest nations;
 - (c) the "Food for Life" program is the quickest and most effective way of providing displaced persons and those affected by natural disaster with lifesaving food when their own nation state is unable to provide assistance; and
 - (d) the "Food for Growth" program is a vital means of providing food to pregnant women, school children and babies who would not otherwise receive adequate food to aid their growth;
- (3) understands that the Federal Government:
- (a) has a large financial commitment to the World Food Program on both an ongoing and an occasional basis; and
 - (b) has committed \$56.3 million since March 2002, including a contribution of \$12.8 million to help ease the food crisis in southern Africa and a contribution of \$1 million to assist the survivors of the Bam earthquake; and
- (4) congratulates:
- (a) the Federal Government on its ongoing support of the World Food Program; and
 - (b) the World Food Program on 40 years of fighting hunger and poverty. (*Notice given 1 March 2004. Notice will be removed from the Notice Paper unless called on on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

Orders of the day

- 1 **PROTECTION OF AUSTRALIAN FLAGS (DESECRATION OF THE FLAG) BILL 2003:** (*Mrs Draper*) Second reading (*from 18 August 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 2 **ABOLITION OF THE GOLD TRAVEL PASS FOR FORMER POLITICIANS (REFLECTING COMMUNITY STANDARDS) BILL 2003:** (*Mr Organ*) Second reading (*from 18 August 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 3 **AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP FOR ELIGIBLE DE FACTO SPOUSES BILL 2003:** (*Ms Plibersek*) Second reading (*from 18 August 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 4 **CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY AND EMPLOYMENT SECURITY BILL 2003:** (*Mr Crean*) Second reading (*from 18 August 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 5 **WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (UNFAIR DISMISSAL—LOWER COSTS, SIMPLER PROCEDURES) BILL 2003:** (*Mr Crean*) Second reading (*from 18 August 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 6 **TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE) BILL 2003:** (*Mr Griffin*) Second reading (*from 18 August 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 7 **TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT (A SIMPLER BUSINESS ACTIVITY STATEMENT) BILL 2003:** (*Mr Latham*) Second reading (*from 18 August 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 8 **MIDDLE EAST ROAD MAP TO PEACE:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 August 2003*) on the motion of Mr Cadman—That this House:
 - (1) commends the Israeli Cabinet for its decision to take positive steps for the resolution of conflict in the Middle East, including the adoption of the Road Map which is:

Phase 1 (to May 2003): End of terrorism, normalisation of Palestinian life and Palestinian political reform; Israeli withdrawal and end of settlement activity; Palestinian elections;

Phase 2 (June-Dec 2003): Creation of an independent Palestinian state; international conference and international monitoring of compliance with roadmap;

Phase 3 (2004-2005): Second international conference; permanent status agreement and end of conflict; agreement on final borders, Jerusalem, refugees and settlements; Arab states to agree to peace deals with Israel; and

- (2) calls on all parties involved in the conflict to emulate this example and move forward to a rapid settlement. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 9 **CHILDREN WITH INSULIN DEPENDENT DIABETES:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 August 2003*) on the motion of Mr C. P. Thompson—That this House notes:
- (1) the number of children in Australia who have insulin dependent diabetes;
 - (2) the devastating long-term health consequences and medical complications for children with insulin dependent diabetes, including:
 - (a) hypoglycaemia;
 - (b) heart disease;
 - (c) microvascular disease;
 - (d) limb amputation;
 - (e) kidney failure; and
 - (f) retinopathy or diabetic eye disease;
 - (3) the outstanding work by Australian researchers to find a cure through pancreatic islet cell transplantation;
 - (4) that research is the key to finding a transplant procedure that is safe and available to children; and
 - (5) the need for support from the Federal Government to establish:
 - (a) a national clinical islet cell transplant centre to advance islet cell transplantation; and
 - (b) a research grant to attract the world's best scientists and ensure Australia's position at the forefront of global research. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 10 **SYDNEY'S SECOND AIRPORT:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 August 2003—Mr Farmer, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Murphy— That this House:
- (1) declares that Badgery's Creek is no longer a viable site for the location of a second airport for the people of Sydney; and
 - (2) recommends that a Joint Select Committee be established to identify a site suitable for the location of Sydney's second airport, having regard to (a) aircraft noise; (b) air pollution and (c) other risks associated with aircraft movements. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on 8 March 2004.*)
- 11 **PARLIAMENTARY (CHOICE OF SUPERANNUATION) BILL 2003** (*Mr Andren*): Second reading (*from 8 September 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 8 March 2004.*)
- 12 **ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 September 2003—Ms Hall, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms Livermore— That this House:
- (1) acknowledges the 75th anniversary this year of the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS);
 - (2) congratulates the RFDS for providing essential emergency and primary health care to the people of remote, rural and regional Australia since its establishment in 1928;
 - (3) thanks the doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, pilots, mechanics, support staff, volunteers and fundraisers for their commitment to continuing the life-saving work of the RFDS; and
 - (4) notes with concern the difficulty in recruiting and retaining health professionals in remote, rural and regional Australia that threatens to impact on the services provided by the RFDS. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 8 March 2004.*)
- 13 **AUSTRALIAN KNOWLEDGE OF ASIA:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 September 2003—Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, in continuation*) on the motion of Dr Southcott— That this House:

- (1) notes the problems and possibilities identified in the report *Maximising Australia's Asia Knowledge: repositioning and renewal of a national asset*, prepared by the Asian Studies Association of Australia;
 - (2) recognises that the national interest is served by the knowledge Australians have of their world and particularly of their own diverse, complex region; and
 - (3) commends efforts by governments, educational institutions, businesses and voluntary associations to renew, enhance and extend Australian knowledge of Asia. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 8 March 2004.*)
- 14 **AVIATION:** Resumption of debate (*from 8 September 2003*) on the motion of Mr M. J. Ferguson— That this House:
- (1) acknowledges that 2003 marks the celebration of 100 years of piloted flight;
 - (2) notes the Wright Brothers' achievement in successfully undertaking the first flight as the culmination of a centuries' old quest by philosophers, scientists and engineers to turn the dream of flight into a reality that redefined the boundaries of scientific capacity;
 - (3) notes that, in the 100 years since the first piloted flight, the outstanding development in air travel has taken us from the Wright Brothers' Kitty Hawk flight to the Moon;
 - (4) recognises that the invention, growth and refinement of piloted flight has allowed us to cross and expand our boundaries, both personal, cultural, economic and national, enriching our experiences and bringing people of the world closer together;
 - (5) notes that the aviation industry has also fostered inter and intra State and Territory trade, commerce and experiences;
 - (6) recognises the importance of the aviation industry to Australian jobs, skills and industry, in particular, to the tourism, aeronautical, technical, engineering, and export industries;
 - (7) acknowledges the aviation industry as an important provider of high skilled jobs to Australians;
 - (8) notes with disappointment the collapse of Ansett Airlines and recognises the valuable role that Ansett played in the development of the aviation industry in Australia;
 - (9) notes proudly that Qantas is an Australian icon, recognised throughout the world and one of Australia's largest private sector employers;
 - (10) welcomes the newer players in Australia like Virginblue and Regional Express and recognises the important contribution of regional airlines and operators to our regional communities;
 - (11) acknowledges the work, enterprise, innovation, ingenuity, commitment, passion and enthusiasm of all those who have worked in aviation over the past one hundred years;
 - (12) pays its respects to all those who have died in the pursuit of work and recreation in aviation;
 - (13) notes the negative effect of the terrorist attacks of September 11 on the global aviation and associated industries and expresses our hope that the industry will recover;
 - (14) notes the vital need for Federal Government efforts to ensure that airline passengers can travel in the safest possible environment, in particular now Australia is a terrorist target, to restore confidence in air travel; and
 - (15) notes the importance of a competitive and sustainable local aviation industry. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on the next sitting Monday after 8 March 2004.*)
- 15 **FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH CHINA AND JAPAN:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 September 2003—Mr Jenkins, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That this House:
- (1) supports the development of bilateral free trade agreements with both China and Japan;
 - (2) acknowledges the close partnership that Australia has developed with both Japan and China;
 - (3) notes the importance of trade with Japan, Australia's principal trading partner;
 - (4) notes the importance of rapidly growing trade with China which has a real annual growth rate of 7 per cent;
 - (5) acknowledges the massive economic and social benefits of a genuine free trade agreement with both China and Japan to all parties;
 - (6) realises that the ASEAN Free Trade Area, the proposed China-ASEAN FTA and Japan's proposal for a comprehensive regional economic partnership reflect the fact that China and Japan recognise that free and open trade is the best guarantee of economic prosperity and growth;

- (7) commits to an international free trade agenda understanding that bilateral free trade agreements can complement and encourage wider free trade objectives in APEC and the WTO;
- (8) forcefully supports an international free trade agenda as a driver for global economic prosperity, improved living standards and greater opportunities for the developing world; and
- (9) commends the efforts of Japan and China to enhance global free trade, in particular, China's efforts to reduce average tariff rates from 40 per cent a decade ago to 11.5 per cent today. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 16 OSTEOPOROSIS:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 September 2003*) on the motion of Ms Burke—That this House:
- (1) notes that a study commissioned by Osteoporosis Australia and a subsequent report titled *The Burden of Brittle Bones* indicated that osteoporosis is a disease that is becoming increasingly prevalent in our communities;
- (2) notes that this report further indicated that it should be recognised that osteoporosis is a preventable and treatable disease and with more research the current trend could be reversed;
- (3) notes with concern the statistics in this report that indicate the projected increase in numbers of patients within the population diagnosed with osteoporosis—in 2001, 1.9 million Australians, 10% of the population, were diagnosed as suffering from osteoporosis and by 2021 this figure is expected to rise to 13.2%;
- (4) recognises the enormous cost to the health services, the community, to individual sufferers and their carers; and
- (5) calls on the Government to recognise osteoporosis as a national health priority. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 17 FEDERAL MAGISTRATES SERVICE:** Resumption of debate (*from 15 September 2003—Ms Hoare, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Johnson—That this House:
- (1) recognises the success of the Federal Magistrates Service since its establishment by the Commonwealth Government in 2000;
- (2) In particular, recognises the contribution of the Federal Magistrates Service to:
- (a) providing a quick and accessible forum for litigants involved in less complex family law and other general federal law disputes;
- (b) increasing access to justice for Australian families, particularly those going through relationship breakdown; and
- (c) providing an alternative and less formal court option for litigants and encouraging the use of conciliation, counselling, arbitration and mediation in appropriate cases; and
- (3) notes the Government's recent announcement that four new Federal Magistrates are to be appointed in South-east Queensland, Newcastle, Adelaide and Melbourne to further enhance the operation of the Federal Magistrates Service. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 2 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 18 NORTH KOREA:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003—Mr Organ, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Cadman—That this House:
- (1) condemns the abuse of human rights in North Korea and the unconscionable treatment by that government of its citizens;
- (2) calls on the Government of North Korea to comply with international standards to reform conditions for its citizens;
- (3) urges the DPRK to engage more fully with the international community to address Australia's and the international community's concerns over border crossers in North Korea and notes Australian support for further scrutiny by the UN Commission on Human Rights of the human rights situation in the DPRK; and
- (4) calls on the North Korean regime to cease and desist from any development of weapons of mass destruction. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

- 19 **INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003*) on the motion of Mr Sidebottom—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges the importance of 17 October 2003 being the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty;
 - (2) is deeply concerned about the 1.2 billion people world-wide who are required to live on less than \$1 per day, and the adverse effects on health, education, and income earning ability which result;
 - (3) supports efforts by the United Nations to reduce world poverty through the development of its Millennium Development Goals, which call for:
 - (a) halving the proportion of people living on \$1 per day and halving the number of people who suffer from hunger;
 - (b) ensuring that boys and girls alike complete primary schooling;
 - (c) eliminating gender disparity in all levels of education;
 - (d) reducing by two-thirds the under-five mortality rate;
 - (e) reducing by three-quarters the maternal mortality ratio;
 - (f) reversing the spread of HIV/AIDS, malaria and other major infectious diseases;
 - (g) ensuring environmental sustainability through integration of sustainable development into country policies and reversing the loss of environmental resources, halving the proportion of people without access to potable water and significantly improving the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers; and
 - (h) developing a global partnership for development through raising official development assistance, expanding market access, and encouraging debt sustainability; and
 - (4) calls on all national governments and international institutions to make achievement of the Millennium Development Goals a key purpose of their international and domestic programs. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 20 **BALI BOMBING:** Resumption of debate (*from 13 October 2003—Mr B. P. J. O'Connor, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That this House commends the efforts of the Indonesian Government in bringing justice to those who were responsible for the Bali bombing and, in particular:
- (1) applauds Indonesia in formally charging 24 people in connection with the Bali bombing and the conviction of 5 of those people;
 - (2) congratulates the Indonesian police and Australian Federal Police in the rapid dismantling of the cell that carried out the attack on 12 October 2002;
 - (3) recognises and commends the Australian Federal Police for the significant role it has played in helping the Indonesian police bring these terrorists to trial; and
 - (4) commends the Government on the \$10 million package of assistance for counter-terrorism capability building. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 3 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 21 **COMMONWEALTH LAND AT POINT NEPEAN, VICTORIA BILL 2003:** (*Mr K. J. Thomson*) Second reading (*from 3 November 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 22 **RAAF CONTINGENT UBON:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr Baldwin—That this House:
- (1) notes the efforts of the personnel of the RAAF Contingent Ubon who served in Thailand during the Vietnam War;
 - (2) acknowledges that these personnel were assigned to provide support operations in Ubon post-June 1965 by the Joint Planning Committee Report 110/1964;
 - (3) acknowledges this directly affected the Vietnam War in that they provided air and ground defence of the Royal Thai Air Force Base and all assets and installations the United States Air Force (USAF) collocated on the base whilst the USAF 8th Tactical Fighter Wing undertook combat operations into North Vietnam and Laos;
 - (4) acknowledges that the RAAF 79(F) Squadron were on “Alert 5” status and provided CAP operations in Ubon;
 - (5) acknowledges that whilst the RAAF servicemen were assigned to the command and control of the USAF 7th Air Force in Vietnam, they remained under Australian control; and

- (6) recognises the efforts of those who served in Ubon by the way of the award of the Vietnam Logistic and Support Medal (VLSM) to be worn by the amendment of the “Area of Operations” for the Vietnam War effort and by the amendment of the regulations governing the issue of the VLSM. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 23 **HEPATITIS C:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003*) on the motion of Ms George—That this House:
- (1) acknowledges that hepatitis C is the most frequently reported notifiable disease in Australia with about 240,000 people infected and an additional 16,000 new infections each year;
 - (2) recognises that hepatitis C poses a substantial threat to the health of Australians, due to the failure of the Government to fund the implementation of the National Hepatitis C Strategy; and
 - (3) calls upon the Government to fund the implementation of the National Hepatitis C Strategy in order to:
 - (a) reduce the transmission of hepatitis C;
 - (b) improve access to hepatitis C treatments;
 - (c) support and resource programmes which maintain and promote the health, care and support of people with hepatitis C; and
 - (d) prevent discrimination and reduce the stigma and isolation of those infected with hepatitis C. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 24 **TRANSPORT AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr Price—That this House:
- (1) understands that Australians want decisions made on the basis of good policy and what is best for communities, not what suits the electoral pendulum;
 - (2) affirms the need for an integrated approach to transport and urban development policy to tackle issues associated with the growth of our major cities;
 - (3) recognises that cities need integrated transport and urban development policies involving all tiers of government and the community in the decision making process;
 - (4) accepts that Labor has lead the way on these important issues with the announcement of an integrated transport plan for Sydney; and
 - (5) recognises that:
 - (a) Labor will not build an airport at Badgery’s Creek, nor will Labor sell the Sydney Basin airports in a cash grab that ignores community and aviation industry views;
 - (b) Labor understands that the growth ambitions of Sydney Airport are not acceptable and that a second Sydney airport is required; and
 - (c) Badgery’s Creek remains the Coalition’s preferred site choice for a second Sydney airport. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 25 **WEST PAPUAN REFUGEES:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 November 2003—Mr Causley, in continuation*) on the motion of Ms C. F. King—That this House:
- (1) notes the Report of the January 2003 Joint Mission of the Australian Section of the International Commission of Jurists and the Australian Council for Refugees to Papua New Guinea, *Seeking Refuge: the Status of West Papuans in Papua New Guinea*; and
 - (2) calls on the Australian Government to endorse the Report’s recommendations and, in consequence;
 - (a) negotiate an agreement with Papua New Guinea for the recognition of travel documents based on certificates of identity for the purpose of enabling students to enter Australia to pursue educational courses;
 - (b) provide humanitarian relief through AusAID or other appropriate agencies for those West Papuans in Transmitter Camp found to have refugee status;
 - (c) express its willingness to assist the government of Papua New Guinea to implement a long term solution for the West Papuans in Western Province;
 - (d) express its willingness to contribute to support and to provide aid funding to enable Papua New Guinea to put a plan in place to act as an incentive to those West Papuans to move from border camps; and

- (e) provide places for West Papuans found to be refugees in Australia's resettlement programs. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 4 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 26 **ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr Ripoll—That this House:
- (1) recognises the contribution of the Royal Australian Air Force to the defence of Australia;
 - (2) recognises and acknowledges the importance of the F111 fleet to the security of Australia and the region and the contribution this aircraft has made to Australia's defence;
 - (3) congratulates the Australian Defence Force Parliamentary Program for giving Members of Parliament greater access and a better working knowledge of the daily operations of our defence forces;
 - (4) congratulates RAAF Base Amberley for the great work it does as a defence base and recognises the expertise of the RAAF personnel working at the base; and
 - (5) recognises the contribution RAAF Base Amberley makes to the city of Ipswich and the community link that has been fostered over many years. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 27 **INFRASTRUCTURE:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003*) on the motion of Mr P. E. King—That this House give consideration to a new program of infrastructure development in Australia called "Build the Nation" in cooperation with state and local governments and private enterprise and having regard to:
- (1) the primary obligation of States for the maintenance of public infrastructure; and
 - (2) a reasonable allocation of available resources between city and country areas. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 28 **TETANUS:** Resumption of debate (*from 24 November 2003*) on the motion of Ms Hoare—That this House:
- (1) recognises that the development and distribution of the tetanus vaccine in developed countries such as Australia has led to the virtual elimination of the disease;
 - (2) notes that tetanus continues to be a major cause of fatalities in many developing countries, with some 100 million people still at risk of contracting the disease;
 - (3) calls for measures to be implemented that will lead to the elimination of tetanus in developing countries; and
 - (4) recognises the efforts of UNICEF and its programs in attempting to reduce tetanus in communities around the world. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 5 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 29 **LOCAL COMMUNITY INPUT INTO RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENTS BILL 2003** (*Mr Zahra*): Second reading (*from 1 December 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 30 **FLAGS AMENDMENT (EUREKA FLAG) BILL 2003** (*Ms C. F. King*): Second reading (*from 1 December 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 31 **RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS HATRED BILL 2003** (*Mr McClelland*): Second reading (*from 1 December 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 32 **ROYAL COMMISSION (HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ELECTIONS) BILL 2003** (*Mr Organ*): Second reading (*from 1 December 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 33 **MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CHILDREN AND FAMILIES) BILL 2003** (*Ms Roxon*): Second reading (*from 1 December 2003*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 34 **PARKINSON'S DISEASE:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2003*) on the motion of Mrs Gash—That this House calls on the Government to fund a national study to determine the prevalence of Parkinson's disease in the Australian community and that:

- (1) the study determine the number of sufferers, the range of symptoms experienced by sufferers, the length of time taken to reach diagnoses of sufferers, and the extent of the load on carers and quantify the real cost of Parkinson's Disease in Australia;
 - (2) on presentation of the study to the Parliament, sufficient resources be applied to improve the diagnoses, treatment and quality of life for sufferers and their carers, in both the short and long-term; and
 - (3) included in any action subsequent to the presentation of the results of the study, further resources be made available to better educate current and future doctors, nurses and paramedics in the range of symptoms identified as pertaining to Parkinson's Disease, how to diagnose the disease and how to advise the sufferers and carers involved. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 35 **FRANCHISING:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 December 2003*) on the motion of Ms Gambaro— That this House:
- (1) recognises that franchising in Australia contributes \$80 billion to the Australian economy and represents 12% of GDP;
 - (2) acknowledges the mandatory code of conduct in franchising and its support in the sector;
 - (3) acknowledges that franchising forms an important part of small business and offers new entrants greater security than stand alone businesses;
 - (4) recognises the importance franchising plays in the export earnings of this country; and
 - (5) recognises that franchising has over 50,000 workplaces and employs more than 500,000 Australians. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 6 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 36 **COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL AMENDMENT (PREVENTING SMOKING RELATED DEATHS) BILL 2004:** (*Mr Kerr*) Second reading (*from 16 February 2004*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 37 **EMPLOYEE PROTECTION (EMPLOYEE ENTITLEMENTS GUARANTEE) BILL 2004:** (*Mrs Crosio*) Second reading (*from 16 February 2004*). (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 38 **ANTI-SEMITISM:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 February 2004*) on the motion of Mr P. E. King—That this House:
- (1) takes note of the:
 - (a) long history of anti-Semitism and its lethal capacity to influence many people to express hatred and carry out violence against Jewish people;
 - (b) alarming rise in the incidence of violent anti-Semitic acts in many countries which have killed Jews and non-Jews alike, the desecration of Jewish cemeteries and memorials and targeted assaults on individual members of the Jewish community; and
 - (c) disturbing upsurge of anti-Semitic propaganda in print, on the Internet and circulated through emails, often in the form of false accusations that Jews are involved in conspiracies against other people; and
 - (2) in recognition of these developments:
 - (a) expresses its unequivocal condemnation of anti-Semitism, of violence directed against Jews and Jewish religious and cultural institutions, and all forms of racial and ethnic hatred, persecution and discrimination on ethnic or religious grounds, whenever and wherever it occurs;
 - (b) resolves to condemn all manifestations of anti-Semitism in Australia as a threat to the freedoms that all citizens should enjoy equally in a democratic society and commits the Parliament to take all possible concrete actions at a national level to combat this threat to our peaceful and diverse nation; and
 - (c) further resolves to encourage Australian ambassadors and other officials engaged in bilateral contacts with other countries to use their influence to oppose and counter anti-Semitic expressions and to promote all possible efforts at fostering tolerance and community harmony. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

- 39 **FERAL PIGS:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 February 2004—Mr Hatton, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Andren—That this House:
- (1) recognises that feral pigs pose a threat to the nation due to their impact on the welfare of livestock, damage to the environment and natural biodiversity, and potential to harbour exotic animal diseases and zoonoses;
 - (2) notes estimates that the population of feral pigs in Australia could be as high as 23 million; and
 - (3) calls on the Government to develop a nationally coordinated approach to the feral pig issue. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 40 **YOUTH SUICIDE:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 February 2004*) on the motion of Ms Livermore—That this House:
- (1) notes with concern that Australia has one of the highest rates of youth suicide and that the eighth biennial health report of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare found that amongst 12-24 year olds self-harm was the second leading cause of death representing 19.2% of all deaths in this age group;
 - (2) notes that according to Mission Australia 55.8% of young people rate depression and suicide as the most important issue facing young people;
 - (3) recognises the tragic impact on families, peers and communities when a young person takes his/her life; and
 - (4) commends those organisations working to prevent the incidence of youth suicide. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 7 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 41 **EMPLOYEE SHARE OWNERSHIP:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 March 2004—Mr Edwards, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That this House:
- (1) supports the wider spread, across every category of company and to all their employees, of substantial employee share ownership exercised through the agency of Employee Share Ownership Plans (ESOPs);
 - (2) notes that the existing legislative and regulatory regime inhibits the spread of employee ownership especially to unlisted and private companies chiefly on account of the failure of Corporations Law to provide a disclosure regime proper to ESOPs;
 - (3) notes that those employees who do benefit from ESOPs are actively discouraged from developing substantial holdings in the employers' companies by tax provisions which favour token employee ownership (through a tax exempt share plan) over the acquisitions of larger share holding (through a tax deferred share plan);
 - (4) acknowledges that properly designed ESOPs provide, importantly, a mechanism by means of which employees become co-owners of the businesses for which they work and, thereby, more deeply engaged in, and committed to, the free enterprise system of wealth creation and distribution;
 - (5) acknowledges that ESOPs also provide an important pre-retirement savings vehicle through which families and individuals can save for obligations which arise prior to their retirement;
 - (6) recognises that ESOPs belong to a spectrum of pre-retirement savings vehicles so far undeveloped in Australia yet urgently called for by national demographic and social realities;
 - (7) calls for targeted reforms of tax and corporate law to ensure that ESOPs can easily spread to all employees in all companies and provide these employees with a mechanism capable of delivering them substantial (rather than token) ownership of the companies in which they work;
 - (8) calls for the development of practical regulations to ensure adequate disclosure and investor protection measures for all ESOPs;
 - (9) calls for the introduction of a new pre-retirement savings vehicle modelled on the United Kingdom *Individual Savings Account* to provide a comparable means of making medium-term savings for those employees who cannot benefit from an ESOP. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)
- 42 **CENTENARY HOUSE:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 March 2004*) on the motion of Mr P. E. King—That this House:
- (1) calls on the Leader of the Opposition to renegotiate the lease in relation to Centenary House; and
 - (2) calls on the Australian Labor Party to return to the Australian people the moneys paid in respect of rent income on Centenary House over and above the market rate since 1993. (*Order of the day will be*

removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.)

- 43 **BATTLE OF VINEGAR HILL—20TH ANNIVERSARY:** Resumption of debate (*from 1 March 2004*) on the motion of Mr Mossfield—That this House:
- (1) notes that on 5 March 1804 the Battle of Vinegar Hill took place at what is today known as Rouse Hill, New South Wales;
 - (2) notes that some 200 mainly Irish convicts, led by Phillip Cunningham, took part in Australia's first known armed rebellion against authorities, largely over the treatment of Irish convicts in both Britain and the colonies;
 - (3) notes that next year marks the 200th anniversary of this battle;
 - (4) notes that a steering committee of 5 Western Sydney Councils has been formed to stage a re-enactment and associated celebrations;
 - (5) recognises that this Battle is a significant chapter in Australia's early convict history;
 - (6) recognises that the Battle and its outcome helped shape the Australian character; and therefore:
 - (7) urges the Government to provide whatever additional assistance is necessary to ensure a successful re-enactment of this historic battle; and
 - (8) calls on the Government to commemorate this significant event by issuing a commemorative coin and stamp. (*Order of the day will be removed from the Notice Paper unless re-accorded priority on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays after 8 March 2004.*)

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS (standing orders 101, 102A and 102C): Presentation and consideration of committee and delegation reports has precedence each Monday.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS (standing orders 101 and 104) has precedence from the conclusion of consideration of committee and delegation reports, being interrupted at 1.45 p.m. and then continuing for 1 hour after the presentation of petitions each Monday.

The **SELECTION COMMITTEE** is responsible for determining the order of precedence and allotting time for debate on consideration of committee and delegation reports and private Members' business. Its determinations for the next sitting Monday are shown under "Business accorded priority for Monday, 8 March 2004". Any private Members' business not called on, or consideration of private Members' business or committee and delegation reports which has been interrupted and not re-accorded priority by the Selection Committee on any of the next 8 sitting Mondays, shall be removed from the Notice Paper (standing order 104B).

BUSINESS OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE*Wednesday, 3 March 2004**The Main Committee meets at 9.40 a.m.***GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Orders of the day**

- 1 **EXTENSION OF SUNSET OF PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON NATIVE TITLE BILL 2004** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Edwards*).
- 2 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 3) 2003-2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 1 March 2004*) on the motion of Mr Slipper—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr McMullan, viz.—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House condemns the Government for its budget waste and mismanagement, and wrong priorities which have resulted in:*
 - (1) a costly Medicare ‘safety net’ which does not protect families from increasing health costs and declining levels of bulk billing;
 - (2) inadequate funding and higher fees for students seeking access to higher education;
 - (3) a growing number of families who are financially squeezed and trying to balance work and family; and
 - (4) 500,000 Australians waiting up to five years to get their teeth fixed”.
- 3 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 4) 2003-2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 February 2004—Mr Rudd*).
- 4 **APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL (NO. 2) 2003-2004** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 11 February 2004—Mr Rudd*).
- 5 **PRIVACY AMENDMENT BILL 2003** (*Attorney-General*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr McClelland*).
- 6 **FISHERIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (COMPLIANCE AND DETERRENCE MEASURES AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2003** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 11 February 2004*).
- 7 **CUSTOMS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE MODERNISATION AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2003** (*Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration*): Second reading—Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Ms Roxon*).
- 8 **FISHERIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (HIGH SEAS FISHING ACTIVITIES AND OTHER MATTERS) BILL 2004** (*from Senate*): Second reading (*from 16 February 2004*).
- 9 **SPEAKER’S ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE DEATHS OF FORMER MEMBERS—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 12 February 2004—Mr Georgiou*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 10 **RESOLVING DEADLOCKS: A DISCUSSION PAPER ON SECTION 57 OF THE AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 27 November 2003—Mr Quick*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 11 **ANNIVERSARY OF THE BALI TRAGEDY—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 15 October 2003—Mr Bartlett*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 12 **SOLOMON ISLANDS—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 19 August 2003—Mrs Elson*) on the motion of Mr Abbott—That the House take note of the paper.
- 13 **BUSHFIRES—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**: Resumption of debate (*from 5 March 2003—Mrs May*) on the motion of Dr Stone—That the House take note of the paper.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATION REPORTS

Orders of the day

- 1 **CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES—JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE ATM FEE STRUCTURE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 19 February 2004—Mr Baird*) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That the House take note of the report.
 - 2 **CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES—JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE—REPORT—MONEY MATTERS IN THE BUSH—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 16 February 2004—Mr Hunt, in continuation*) on the motion of Mr Hunt—That the House take note of the report.
 - 3 **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—EVERY PICTURE TELLS A STORY: REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO CHILD CUSTODY IN THE EVENT OF FAMILY SEPARATION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 February 2004—Ms J. S. McFarlane*) on the motion of Mrs Hull—That the House take note of the report.
 - 4 **PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECOND READING SPEECHES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Mr Danby*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report.
 - 5 **NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—QUIS COSTODIET IPSOS CUSTODES?: INQUIRY INTO GOVERNANCE ON NORFOLK ISLAND—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 4 December 2003—Mr Wakelin*) on the motion of Mr Neville—That the House take note of the report.
 - 6 **TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REGIONAL AVIATION AND ISLAND TRANSPORT SERVICES: MAKING ENDS MEET—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr B. P. J. O'Connor*) on the motion of Mr Neville—That the House take note of the report.
 - 7 **ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—REVIEW OF THE RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA REPORT FOR 2002-2003—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr Ripoll*) on the motion of Mr Hawker—That the House take note of the report.
 - 8 **ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—RATES AND TAXES: A FAIR SHARE FOR RESPONSIBLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Mr Ripoll*) on the motion of Mr Hawker—That the House take note of the report.
 - 9 **RECENT AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 3 December 2003—Ms J. S. McFarlane*) on the motion of Mr Nairn—That the House take note of the report.
 - 10 **PROCEDURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE INQUIRY INTO THE ADEQUACY OF PROCEDURES FOR EXAMINING ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 25 November 2003—Mrs Gash*) on the motion of Mrs May—That the House take note of the report.
 - 11 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON EXPANDING AUSTRALIA'S TRADE AND INVESTMENT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL EUROPE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 September 2003—Mrs Hull*) on the motion of Mr Baird—That the House take note of the report.
 - 12 **EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON INQUIRY INTO ASPECTS OF AUSTRALIA'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION SCHEMES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 18 September 2003—Dr Southcott*) on the motion of Mrs D. M. Kelly—That the House take note of the report.
 - 13 **FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE IN AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITIES—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Resumption of debate (*from 17 September 2003—Mr Prosser*) on the motion of Mrs Hull—That the House take note of the report.
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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

On the first sitting day of each fortnight, a complete Notice Paper is published containing all unanswered questions. On subsequent days, only new questions for the sitting are included in the Notice Paper. The full text of all unanswered questions is available at:

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3 March 2004

*3238 **MR EDWARDS:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferred GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Cowan for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferred GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Cowan for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferred GP attendances for the electoral division of Cowan for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferred GP attendances for the electoral division of Cowan for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3239 **MR EMERSON:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferred GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Rankin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferred GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Rankin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferred GP attendances for the electoral division of Rankin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferred GP attendances for the electoral division of Rankin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3240 **DR LAWRENCE:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferred GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Fremantle for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferred GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Fremantle for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferred GP attendances for the electoral division of Fremantle for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferred GP attendances for the electoral division of Fremantle for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

- *3241 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs—
- (1) In respect of the Minister's media release of 12 January 2004 headed 'Plan to attract more migrants to regional Australia', how will the eligibility criteria and entitlements for the proposed new visa for self-funded retirees differ from the existing subclass 410 Temporary Retirement Visa.
 - (2) What will be the definition of 'regional Australia' for the purposes of the proposed new visa.
 - (3) How many such visas will be available in 2004-2005 and subsequent years.
 - (4) What is the proposed role and contribution of state and territory governments as sponsors of the self-funded retirees concerned.
- *3242 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs—
- (1) For the purposes of the migration program, which parts of Australia does the Minister's Department consider to fall within the classification of (a) 'regional Australia', and (b) 'a low population growth metropolitan area'.
 - (2) What precise statistical or other criteria are used to determine the allocation of areas to these classifications.
 - (3) What will be the definition of 'regional Australia' for the purposes of the new regional skilled visa jointly announced by the Minister and the Acting Prime Minister on 12 January 2004.
 - (4) For 2004-2005 is there (a) a minimum target, and (b) an upper limit for the number of visas to be issued in accordance with the 12 January announcement.
- *3243 **MR L. D. T. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs—What number and proportion of all permanent visas issued in 2002-2003 under the (a) skilled, (b) family, and (c) humanitarian migration streams were issued to applicants who proposed to settle in (i) the metropolitan area, and (ii) the non-metropolitan area of each state and territory.
- *3244 **MS HOARE:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Charlton for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
 - (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Charlton for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
 - (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Charlton for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
 - (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Charlton for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- *3245 **MR QUICK:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—
- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Franklin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
 - (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Franklin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
 - (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Franklin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
 - (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Franklin for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- *3246 **MR M. J. FERGUSON:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—
- (1) What is the status of discussions between Airservices Australia and the airlines concerning the Government's review of the Control Tower Subsidy paid to Airservices Australia.
 - (2) For each of the last five financial years, (a) what sums has the Government advanced to Airservices Australia to assist in ameliorating the terminal navigation changes at regional and aviation airports, (b) what has been the cost of providing the services at those airports by Airservices Australia, and (c) what sum was collected via the excise on aviation fuel.

*3247 **MRS IRWIN:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Fowler for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Fowler for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Fowler for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Fowler for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3248 **MREVANS:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Bonython for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Bonython for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Bonython for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Bonython for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3249 **MR ANDREN:** To ask the Treasurer—

- (1) Can he confirm that the Australian Tax Office (ATO) does not accept interest recorded on off-balance sheet shadow ledgers in the preparation of taxation returns.
- (2) Can he confirm that the ATO's private ruling (ATO reference SH/TOW/3796545, Authorisation No. 36173) says that the amounts recorded on off-balance sheet shadow ledgers are not an 'incurred liability' pursuant to the Income Tax Assessment Act.
- (3) Is he aware that the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) continues to issue off-balance sheet shadow ledgers to its customers with the notation "Please retain for taxation purposes if required"; if not, why not.
- (4) Is he aware that as a consequence of the CBA's practice, ASIC has received false company returns and the ATO, at the end of the 2003 financial year, has allowed deductions by acceptance of false taxation records prepared from off-balance sheet shadow ledgers; if not why not.
- (5) Is any Government agency investigating allegations of the CBA's false representation of off-balance sheet shadow ledgers as the true balance of a customer's account for taxation purposes when, in fact, the off-balance sheet shadow ledger is not the actual balance of a customer's account; if not, why not; if so, what is the current status of the investigation.

*3250 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) For each year since 1996, how many nursing home beds were (a) approved, and (b) actually available, in (i) the electoral division of Brisbane, and (ii) each postcode area in the electoral division of Brisbane.
- (2) What was the estimated unmet demand for nursing home beds in (a) the electoral division of Brisbane, and (b) each postcode area in the electoral division of Brisbane.

*3251 **MR BEVIS:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Brisbane for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Brisbane for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Brisbane for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Brisbane for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3252 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

- (1) Is he aware of a recent union election at the Neil Pryde sportswear factory in Shenzhen, China, which produces wetsuits for the Australian company Billabong.
- (2) Can he confirm allegations that the union elections were not held in accordance with Chinese law or in accordance with basic human rights, including that (a) the only candidate for Chairman was a factory manager, breaching Article 11 of the 'Method for Implementing the PRC Trade Union Law', (b) the human resources director of the company was a candidate for vice-chairman, and (c) Mr Liu Youlin was denied the right to stand for election.
- (3) Is he aware that under Chinese law, all workplaces with more than 100 employees are required to have a branch of a union in the workplace and can he confirm that many foreign owned or run workplaces do not comply with these requirements.
- (4) Is China a member of the International Labour Organization (ILO); if so, (a) is China a signatory to conventions 87 and 98 on the rights to freedom of association and collective organisation, and (b) is he able to say whether China is complying with ILO conventions 87 and 98.
- (5) Since 1996, has Australia taken any action or made any representations to the ILO or any of its bodies about China's compliance with the above Conventions; if so, (a) when, (b) to whom, (c) by whom, and (d) what was the response; if not, why not.
- (6) Since 1996, have there been any motions or debates before the ILO or any of its bodies, including general and specific observations and freedom of association cases, about China's compliance with the above Conventions; if so, could he provide (a) the texts of the motions, and (b) a list of all votes for, against, and abstentions on, each motion.
- (7) Is China a signatory to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR); if so, (a) has China taken any reservations on Article 8, relating to the rights of individuals to form and join free trade unions, and (b) is he able to say whether China is complying with Article 8 of the ICESCR.
- (8) Since 1996, has Australia taken any action or made any representations before any body under the ICESCR about China's compliance with Article 8; if so, (a) when, (b) to whom, (c) by whom, and (d) what was the response; if not, why not.
- (9) Since 1996, has any body under the ICESCR made any comments, or have any motions been moved, about China's compliance with Article 8; if so, could he provide (a) the texts of the motions, and (b) a list of all votes for, against, and abstentions on, each motion.
- (10) Has the issue of China's compliance with ILO Conventions 87 and 98 been raised at the Australia-China Human Rights dialogue; if so, (a) when, (b) to whom, (c) by whom, and (d) what was the response; if not, (e) why not, and (f) will it be raised at the next opportunity.
- (11) Has the issue of China's compliance with Article 8 of the ICESCR been raised at the Australia-China Human Rights dialogue; if so, (a) when, (b) to whom, (c) by whom, and (d) what was the response; if not, (e) why not, and (f) will it be raised at the next opportunity.
- (12) Has the general issue of trade union freedoms in China been raised at the Australia-China Human Rights dialogue; if so, (a) when, (b) to whom, (c) by whom, and (d) what was the response; if not, (e) why not, and (f) will it be raised at the next opportunity.
- (13) Has the case of the deprivation of basic human rights at the Neil Pryde factory been raised at the Australia-China Human Rights dialogue; if so, (a) when, (b) to whom, (c) by whom, and (d) what was the response; if not, (e) why not, and (f) will it be raised at the next opportunity.

*3253 **MR DANBY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) In respect of Defence Tender DSC 086, (a) when was it advertised, (b) how many responses were received, (c) what was the range of bids, (d) what was value of the winning bid, (e) who was selected as the preferred tenderer, and (f) when and on what basis was the preferred tenderer selected.
- (2) In respect of the finding by his department's Management Audit Branch (MAB) that the process of awarding the tender was 'flawed', (a) did the MAB conduct a review of the delegate's decision to award the contract to a company by the name of ATMA; if so, what was the outcome of this review, (b) did the MAB find that the delegate followed Defence purchasing policy in awarding the contract to ATMA; if not, (i) why not, and (ii) what was the finding of the MAB in this matter, (c) did the Inspector-General make a recommendation to halt the process and conduct a new tender process; if so, what was the reason given for this finding, (d) was a legal opinion sought in relation to the Inspector-General's recommendation; if so, what was the reason for seeking legal opinion and can the Minister provide a copy, and (e) why was the Inspector-General's recommendation not followed.

- (3) What factors were taken into account when deciding to award the tender to ATMA and can the Minister confirm that ATMA was selected as the preferred tender as a result of the consideration of aspects explicitly excluded from the scope of Tender DSC 086.
- (4) Did Defence try to withdraw preferred tenderer status from ATMA after it had been selected as the preferred tenderer; if so, (a) when, (b) was it successful, and (c) did ATMA sue or threaten to sue Defence.
- (5) In respect of the re-evaluation of the tenders, (a) when did this occur, (b) what factors were taken into account, and (c) was ATMA's threat to sue Defence taken into consideration.
- (6) Can the Minister confirm the existence of a letter dated 9 July 2002 in which his department states it was "assessing the liability cost and would choose the least cost path"; if so, does this refer to ATMA's threat to sue Defence.
- (7) Were tenders re-evaluated strictly in accordance with the scope of work stated in the tender documentation which stated that the "cost of services disconnection and reinstatement of site to be done by others"; if so, what was the outcome of that evaluation.
- (8) Is it the case that in selecting a preferred tender, consideration was made for a scope of work broader than that stated in the Tender DCS 086; if so, were all tenderers given an opportunity to tender for that broader scope of work; if not, why not.
- (9) Did the Minister's department obtain legal advice that it could consider a broader scope of work because the tender contained "no express terms as to how the offers were to be evaluated other than an obligation to do so in the best interests of the department" and can the Minister explain why his department did not follow the policy contained in the Defence Procurement Policy Manual which states that "as a general rule, only information requested in the request documentation can be used to evaluate tenders".
- (10) Can the Minister confirm that the Alternative Offer tendered by ATMA and accepted by Defence was cost neutral or a zero sum offer for the two separate Requests for Tender.
- (11) Were the two separate Requests of Tenders re-evaluated without consideration of the alternative offer but the result did not meet the Project Brief requirement of the works being cost neutral.
- (12) Is it the case that the tender documentation did not refer to the Project Brief requirement that the works be cost neutral.
- (13) Can the Minister explain why his department considered the Project Brief requirement for cost neutrality when this was not mentioned in the tender documentation and is it Defence policy that only information requested in the request documentation can be used to evaluate tenders.
- (14) Is the Minister aware that (a) my office made specific request to the Corporate Services and Infrastructure Group (CSIG) about DSC 086 on 3 July 2003, (b) CSIG failed to inform my office, (c) the Parliamentary Secretary informed my office on 22 July 2003 while the contract was signed on 7 July 2003.
- (15) Can the Minister explain (a) why CSIG did not inform me about the state of the contract, (b) who made the decision not to inform me, (c) what avenues are open to my constituent to seek redress, and (d) whether this was a factor in the decision to delay informing my office about the state of the contract.

*3254 **MR GIBBONS:** To ask the Minister for Transport and Regional Services—

- (1) Is he aware of the application submitted by the Metcalfe Community Association to establish a Rural Transaction Centre (RTC) at Metcalfe.
- (2) Is he aware that the Metcalfe Community Association invested 27 months of time and effort into the application and selection process with a view to establishing an RTC at Metcalfe.
- (3) Is he aware that the application to establish an RTC at Metcalfe has been rejected.
- (4) Is he aware that the Metcalfe Community Association was prepared to contribute \$105,000 toward the establishment of an RTC at Metcalfe.
- (5) Can he provide the reasons why the application by the Metcalfe Community Association to establish a Rural Transaction Centre (RTC) at Metcalfe was unsuccessful.
- (6) What projects have been funded under the RTC programme and what amounts have been granted to the successful applicants.

*3255 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry—

- (1) Did he write a letter dated 8 March 2002 in reply to correspondence from the Member for Maranoa, the Hon Bruce Scott, dated 30 January 2002, regarding support for a grain ethanol plant at Dalby under the 'Biofuels for Cleaner Transport' program.
- (2) Can he confirm that he wrote "In relation to the 'Biofuels for Cleaner Transport' initiative announced during the 2001 election campaign, the Government is currently in the process of developing guidelines for the operation of this program"; if not, why not.
- (3) Have the guidelines referred to in the letter been completed; if so, what are the details; if not, why not.
- (4) Can he confirm that he wrote "As outlined in the Government's policy announcement, I anticipate funding will become available from July 2002"; if not, why not.
- (5) Has the funding referred to in his letter been made available; if so, what are the details; if not, why not.
- (6) Can he confirm that he wrote "On the matter of the excise exemption for fuel ethanol, I can confirm on behalf of the Government that, as stated in the 'Biofuels for Cleaner Transport' policy, the current exemption of fuel ethanol from the \$0.38 per litre excise on petroleum products will be maintained"; if not, why not.
- (7) What is the present status of the Government's undertaking in respect of the excise on ethanol.

*3256 **MR MURPHY:** To ask the Minister representing the Minister for Defence—

- (1) Is the Minister aware that, at its September 2003 National Congress, the Returned and Services League (RSL) of Australia passed a resolution asking for the Federal Government to introduce a Defence Force Medal for all persons who have served in the Defence Force both past and present and this to include Reserve Forces with a qualifying period of two years service, not necessarily continuous, to be accepted as the minimum requirement.
- (2) Is the Minister aware that the National Servicemen's Association of Australia supports the RSL's resolution.
- (3) Will the Government reconsider this issue with a view to granting a Defence Force Medal consistent with the resolution of the National Congress of the RSL last September; if so, when, if not, why not.

*3257 **MS MACKLIN:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Jagajaga for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Jagajaga for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Jagajaga for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Jagajaga for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3258 **MRS CROSIO:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Prospect for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Prospect for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Prospect for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Prospect for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3259 **MS ELLIS:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Canberra for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Canberra for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Canberra for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Canberra for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

*3260 **MR SCIACCA:** To ask the Minister for Health and Ageing—

- (1) What is the breakdown of the proportion of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Bowman for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (2) What is the breakdown of the number of total unreferral GP attendances bulk-billed for the electoral division of Bowman for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (3) What is the breakdown for the average patient contribution per service (patient billed services only) for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Bowman for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.
- (4) What is the breakdown for the number of services for total unreferral GP attendances for the electoral division of Bowman for the quarter ending 31 December 2003.

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

SPEAKER'S PANEL

Mr Adams, Mr Barresi, Ms Corcoran, Ms Gambaro, Mr Hawker, Mr Lindsay, Mr Mossfield, Mr Price, Mr Scott, Mr Wilkie.

COMMITTEES

Unless otherwise shown, appointed for life of 40th Parliament

Standing

Pursuant to standing orders

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS: Mr Wakelin (*Chair*), Mr Cobb, Mrs Draper, Mr Haase, Ms Hoare, Dr Lawrence, Mr Lloyd, Mr Melham, Mr Snowdon, Mr Tollner.

Current inquiry:

Capacity building in indigenous communities.

AGEING: Mr Cobb (*Chair*), Ms Corcoran, Ms Ellis, Ms Gambaro, Ms Hall, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Hunt, Mrs May, Mr Mossfield, Mr A. D. H. Smith.

Current inquiry:

Long term strategies to address ageing of the Australian population over the next 40 years.

AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY: Mrs Elson (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Forrest, Mrs Ley, Mr Schultz, Mr Secker, Mr Sidebottom, Mr Tuckey, Mr Windsor, Mr Zahra.

Current inquiry:

Future water supplies for Australia's rural industries and communities.

COMMUNICATIONS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS: Mr Baldwin (*Chair*), Mr Ciobo, Mr Farmer, Ms Grierson, Mr Hatton, Mr Johnson, Mr Pearce, Mr Sercombe, Mr Tanner, Mr Ticehurst.

Current inquiries:

Future opportunities for Australia's film, animation, special effects and electronic games industries.
 Review of the Special Broadcasting Service Annual Report 2002-2003.
 Structure of Telstra.

ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: Mr Hawker (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Ms Burke, Mr Cox, Ms Gambaro, Mr Griffin, Mr P. E. King, Mr Nairn, Mr Somlyay, Dr Southcott.

Current inquiry:

Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia Report for 2002-03 and Payment System Board Report for 2002-2003.
 Review of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission Report for 2002-2003.
 Review of the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Report for 2002-2003.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING: Mr Bartlett (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Mr Farmer, Ms Gambaro, Mr Johnson, Mrs May, Mr Pearce, Ms Plibersek, Mr Sawford, Mr Sidebottom.

Current inquiry:

Vocational education and training in schools.

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS: Mr Barresi (*Chair*), Mr Dutton, Ms Hall, Mr Hartsuyker, Mr Lloyd, Mr B. P. J. O'Connor, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Randall, Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Wilkie.

Current inquiry:

Employment: Increasing participation in paid work

ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE: Mr Billson (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Cobb, Ms George, Mr Hunt, Mr Jenkins, Mr Kerr, Mr Lindsay, Ms Livermore, Mr McArthur.

Current inquiry:

Sustainable cities 2025.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS: Mrs Hull (*Chair*), Mr Cadman, Ms Draper, Mr Dutton, Ms George, Mrs Irwin, Mr Pearce, Mr Price, Mr Quick, Mr C. P. Thomson.

Current inquiries:

Children's developmental health and well being.

HOUSE: The Speaker, Mr Charles, Mrs Crosio, Mr Haase, Ms Jackson, Mr Quick, Mr Somlyay.

INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES: Mr Prosser (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Haase, Mr Hatton, Mr Randall, Mr Sercombe, Mr C. P. Thomson, Mr Tollner, Dr Washer.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS: Mrs B. K. Bishop (*Chair*), Mr Cadman, Mr Kerr, Mr McClelland, Mr Murphy, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Sciacca, Mr Secker, Mr Somlyay, Dr Washer.

Current inquiries:

Averment provisions in customs legislation
 Crime in the community.

LIBRARY: Mr Adams, Mrs Draper, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Georgiou, Ms Hoare, Mr Randall.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS: Mr Haase (*Chair*), Mrs Crosio, Mr Jenkins, Mr Lindsay, Mr Neville, Mr Quick, Mr C. P. Thompson.

PRIVILEGES: Mr Somlyay (*Chair*), Mr Baird, Mr Barresi (nominee of the Leader of the House), Mr Billson, Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr Brereton, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr McLeay, Ms Plibersek (nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mr Sawford, Mr Scott.

PROCEDURE: Mrs May (*Chair*), Mrs B. K. Bishop, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr Haase, Mr P. E. King, Mr Price, Ms Vamvakinou.

Current inquiries:

An alternative name for the Main Committee.
 Arrangements for joint meetings with the Senate.

PUBLICATIONS: Mr Randall (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Cobb, Mrs Elson, Mr Evans, Ms J. S. McFarlane, Mr Tollner.

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION: Mr Nairn (*Chair*), Ms Corcoran, Mr Evans, Mr Forrest, Ms Grierson, Mr Hatton, Mr Lindsay, Mr A. D. H. Smith, Mr Ticehurst, Dr Washer.

Current inquiry:

Coordination of the science to combat salinity.

SELECTION: Mr Causley (*Chair*), Mrs Crosio, Mr Danby, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Hawker, Mr Lloyd, Mr McArthur, Mr Neville, Mr Quick, Mr Wilkie.

TRANSPORT AND REGIONAL SERVICES: Mr Neville (*Chair*), Mr Andren, Mr Gibbons, Mr Haase, Mrs Ley, Mr McArthur, Mr Mossfield, Ms O'Byrne, Mr Schultz, Mr Secker.

Current inquiries:

Maritime salvage in Australian waters.

National road safety.

Privatisation of regional infrastructure and government business enterprises.

Select

RECENT AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRES (*Formed 26 March 2003*): Mr Nairn (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Bartlett, Mr Causley, Ms Ellis, Mrs Gash, Mr Gibbons, Mr Hawker, Mr McArthur, Mr Mossfield, Mr G. M. O'Connor, Mr Organ, Ms Panopoulos, Mr Schultz (*Final report presented 5 November 2003; Committee dissolved.*)

Joint Statutory

ASIO, ASIS AND DSD: Mr Jull (*Chair*), Mr Beazley, Mr McArthur, Mr McLeay, Senator Ferguson, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Ray.

Current inquiries:

Intelligence information received by Australia's intelligence services in relation to weapons of mass destruction.

Intelligence Services Amendment Bill 2003.

AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION: Mr Baird (*Chair*), Mr Dutton, Mr Kerr, Mr Sercombe, Mr C. P. Thompson, Senator Denman, Senator Ferris, Senator Greig, Senator Hutchins, Senator McGauran.

Current inquiries:

Cybercrime.

Trafficking in women for sexual servitude.

BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS: The Speaker (*Chair*), The President, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Lindsay, Ms J. S. McFarlane, Mr Price, Senator Ferris, Senator Stephens.

CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES: Senator Chapman (*Chair*), Mr Byrne, Mr Ciobo, Mr Griffin, Mr Hunt, Mr McArthur, Senator Brandis, Senator Conroy, Senator Murray, Senator Wong.

Current inquiries:

Australia's insolvency laws.

CLERP (Audit Reform and Corporate Disclosure) Bill and related matters.

Corporations Amendment Regulations 2003 (comprises regulations made under the FSR Amendment Act 2003 and Batch 6).

Draft Regulations—Corporations Amendment Regulations 2003 (Batch 7).

Draft Regulations—Corporations Amendment Regulations 2003/2004 (Batch 8).

NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND: Senator Johnston (*Chair*), Mrs Hull, Mrs Ley, Mr McMullan, Mr Secker, Mr Snowdon, Senator Crossin, Senator Lees, Senator McLucas, Senator Scullion.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT: Mr Charles (*Chair*), Mr Ciobo, Mr Cobb, Mr Georgiou, Ms Grierson, Mr Griffin, Ms C. F. King, Mr P. E. King, Ms Plibersek, Mr Somlyay, Senator Hogg, Senator Humphries, Senator Lundy, Senator Murray, Senator Scullion, Senator Watson.

Current inquiries:

Management and integrity of electronic information in the Commonwealth.

Review of Aviation Security in Australia.

PUBLIC WORKS: Mrs Moylan (*Chair*), Mr Jenkins, Mr Lindsay, Mr Lloyd, Mr B. P. J. O'Connor, Mr Ripoll, Senator Colbeck, Senator Ferguson, Senator Forshaw.

Current inquiry:

Fitout for the Department of Health and Ageing at Scarborough House, Woden Town Centre, ACT.
Randwick, NSW—Site remediation and construction of infrastructure for the Defence site.

Joint Standing

ELECTORAL MATTERS (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Mr Georgiou (*Chair*), Mr Danby, Mr Forrest, Mr Melham, Ms Panopoulos, Senator Bartlett, Senator Brandis, Senator Mason, Senator Murray, Senator Ray.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Senator Ferguson (*Chair*), Mr Baird, Mr Baldwin, Mr Beazley, Mr Bevis, Mr Brereton, Mr Byrne, Mr Edwards, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mrs Gash, Mr Hawker, Mr Jull, Mr Lindsay, Mrs Moylan, Mr Nairn, Mr Price, Mr Prosser, Mr Scott, Mr Snowdon, Mr Somlyay, Mr C. P. Thompson, Senator Bolkus, Senator Cook, Senator Eggleston, Senator Evans, Senator Harradine, Senator Hutchins, Senator Johnston, Senator Sandy Macdonald, Senator Marshall, Senator Payne, Senator Stott Despoja.

Current inquiries:

Annual reports for 2001-2002—

AusAID.

Austrade.

Australia Indonesia Institute.

Aspects of the 2000-2001 annual report of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission relating to conditions at immigration detention centres and the treatment of detainees.

Australia's defence relations with the United States of America

Australia's maritime strategy.

Australia's role in the United Nations.

Australia's role in the World Trade Organisation.

Human rights and good governance education in the Asia-Pacific region.

Relations with Indonesia.

Watching Brief on the War on Terrorism.

MIGRATION (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Ms Gambaro (*Chair*), Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mrs Gash, Mrs Irwin, Mr Randall, Mr Ripoll, Senator Bartlett, Senator Eggleston, Senator Kirk, Senator Tchen.

Current inquiry:

Australia's migration and temporary entry program for skilled labour.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Senator Lightfoot (*Chair*), Mr Causley, Ms Ellis, Mr Neville, Mr Snowdon, Mr C. P. Thompson, Dr Washer, Senator Crossin, Senator Hogg, Senator Lundy, Senator Scullion, Senator Stott Despoja.

Current inquiries:

Review of the annual reports of the Department of Transport and Regional Services 2001-2002 and the Department of the Environment and Heritage 2001-02 (Australia's external territories).

Role of the National Capital Authority.

TREATIES (*Formed 14 February 2002*): Dr Southcott (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Bartlett, Mr Ciobo, Mr Evans, Mr Hunt, Mr P. E. King, Mr Scott, Mr Wilkie, Senator Bartlett, Senator Kirk, Senator Marshall, Senator Mason, Senator Santoro, Senator Stephens, Senator Tchen.

Current inquiries:

Optional Protocol to the Convention against torture and other cruel, Inhuman or degrading Treatment or Punishment.

Treaty tabled on 3 December 2002 (V&P, page 598.)

Treaties tabled on 2 & 3 December 2003 (V&P, pp 1354 & 1366.)

APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY BODIES

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES: Mr Somlyay (*appointed 15 May 2002, for a period of 3 years*).

COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA: Mr M. J. Ferguson (*elected 21 August 2002, for a period of 3 years*).

PARLIAMENTARY RETIRING ALLOWANCES TRUST: Mr Charles (*appointed 24 June 1996*) and Mr McLeay (*appointed 23 November 1998*).