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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 5

WEDNESDAY, 11 MARCH 1970

- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 DISTINGUISHED VISITORS: Mr Speaker informed the House that His Excellency Mr Hyo Sang Rhee, Speaker of the National Assembly of Korea, was within the precincts. The distinguished visitor thereupon, with the concurrence of honourable Members, was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.
 - Mr Speaker then informed the House that His Excellency Mr Rhee was leader of a delegation from the Parliament of Korea and that other members of the delegation were present in the gallery of the House. On behalf of the House, Mr Speaker extended to the delegation a warm welcome.
- 3 Petitions: Mr Fox presented a petition from certain residents of New South Wales praying that the export of all kangaroo products be banned immediately.
 - Mr Klugman presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that this House make legal provision for (1) a joint Commonwealth-State inquiry into inequalities in Australian education, (2) the immediate financing of special programmes for low income earners and others and (3) the provision of pre-school opportunities for all children.

Petitions severally received and read.

- A similar petition to that presented by Mr Klugman was presented by Mr Morrison, and was received.
- 4 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 5 Paper: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute: States Grants (Teachers Colleges) Act—Annual Statement of payments under the Act, for year 1968-69.
- 6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ABORIGINES: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Beazley had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The need for the Commonwealth Government to exercise the powers granted it by the Parliament and the people in the Constitution Alteration (Aboriginals) Act of 1967 to rehabilitate the Aboriginal people, and in particular to rectify the grave malnutrition revealed in the Medical Journal of Australia of 21 February 1970".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Beazley addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on. Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 63

Mr Adermann	Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon
			Mr O'Keefe
•			Mr Peacock
			Mr Pettitt
			Mr Reid
			Mr Robinson
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			Mr Sinclair
	·		Mr Snedden
•		O O	Mr Solomon
			Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr Mackay	Mr Swartz
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hamer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Turner
Mr Chipp	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	Mr Wentworth
Mr Corbett	Mr Howson	Mr McEwen	Tellers:
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hughes	Mr McLeav	Mr Fox
Mr Dobie	Mr Hulme	Mr McMahon	Mr Turnbull
	Noes, 5	6	
Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr Hurford	Mr Patterson
Mr Barnard			Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley			Mr Scholes
			Mr Sherry
	Mr Chipp Mr Corbett Sir J. Cramer Mr Dobie Mr Armitage	Mr Anthony Mr Barnes Mr G. D. Erwin Mr Bate Mr Fairbairn Mr Bonnett Mr Forbes Mr J. M. Fraser Mr Brown Mr Buchanan Mr Giles Mr Bury Mr Gorton Mr K. M. K. Cairns Mr Garland Mr Hallett Mr D. M. Cameron Mr Chipp Mr Holten Mr Corbett Mr Dobie Mr Hulme Noes, 5 Mr Armitage Mr Barnard Mr Cross Mr Daly Mr G. D. Erwin Mr Fairbairn Mr Graham Mr Griles Mr Gorton Mr Hallett Mr Hallett Mr Howson Mr Howson Mr Hughes Mr Crean Mr Barnard Mr Cross Mr Beazley Mr Daly	Mr Anthony Mr England Mr L. H. Irwin Mr Barnes Mr G. D. Erwin Mr Jarman Mr Bate Mr Fairbairn Mr Jess Mr Bonnett Mr Forbes Mr Katter Mr N. H. Bowen Mr J. M. Fraser Mr Kelly Mr Brown Mr Garland Sir W. Kent Hughes Mr Buchanan Mr Giles Mr Killen Mr Bury Mr Gorton Mr King Mr K. M. K. Cairns Mr Graham Mr Lynch Mr Galder Mr Hallett Mr Mackay Mr D. M. Cameron Mr Hamer Mr MacKellar Mr Chipp Mr Holten Mr Maisey Mr Corbett Mr Howson Mr McEwen Sir J. Cramer Mr Hughes Mr McCeay Mr Dobie Mr Hulme Mr McMahon NOES, 56 Mr Armitage Mr Crean Mr Hurford Mr Barnard Mr Cross Mr Jacobi Mr Beazley Mr Daly Mr Jenkins

Mr L. R. Johnson

Mr Jones

Mr Keating

Mr Keogh

Mr Kirwan

Mr Klugman

Mr Luchetti

Mr Martin

Mr McIvor

Mr Morrison

Mr Kennedy

Mr Stewart

Mr Uren

Mr Wallis

Mr Webb

Mr Whitlam

Mr Duthie

Mr James

Tellers:

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 7 Suspension of standing orders—Sales Tax Bills: Mr Bury (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in relation to the proceedings on any Sales Tax Bills, so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent—
 - (a) the presentation and the first readings of the Bills together;

Mr Everingham

Mr FitzPatrick

Mr A. D. Fraser

Mr Foster

Mr Fulton

Mr Garrick

Mr Grassby

Mr Griffiths

Mr Hansen

Mr Hayden

Mr Gun

- (b) one motion being moved and one question being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings, the committee's report stage, and the third readings, of all the Bills together, and
- (c) the consideration of all the Bills as a whole together in a committee of the whole. Debate ensued.

Ouestion—put and passed.

Mr Berinson

Mr L. F. Bowen

Mr C. R. Cameron

Mr Birrell

Mr Bryant

Mr Calwell

Mr Cass

Mr Cohen

Mr Collard

Mr Connor

Mr Cope

8 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE—LEAVE TO MOVE NOT GRANTED: Mr Swartz (Minister representing the Minister for Civil Aviation) asked leave to move a motion without notice.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

9 Suspension of standing orders—Motion without notice: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Swartz (Minister representing the Minister for Civil Aviation) moving a motion to appoint a Select Committee on Aircraft Noise.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.

- 10 SELECT COMMITTEE ON AIRCRAFT NOISE: Mr Swartz (Minister representing the Minister for Civil Aviation) moved—
 - (1) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon—
 - (a) the definition of the major forms of noise associated with aircraft which cause complaint;
 - (b) problems which emerge from the incidence of the various forms of aircraft noise:
 - (c) the effects of aircraft noise on persons, property, institutions and communities;
 - (d) the sources of and extent of complaint arising from aircraft noise;
 - (e) the units used for the measurement of aircraft noise and any special factors peculiar to Australia which should be considered in the application of acceptable levels of noise for various sections of the community, having regard to the international consideration of these matters;
 - (f) administrative procedures and regulations in the course of operation, designed to lessen aircraft noise, and their effectiveness for that purpose;
 - (g) administrative procedures and regulations required to be formulated and initiated to lessen aircraft noise nuisance now and in the future;
 - (h) technological developments and programmes in course of operation to lessen aircraft noise and their effectiveness for this purpose;
 - (i) technological developments and programmes required to be formulated and initiated to motivate and expedite further progress in lessening aircraft noise, having regard to overseas activities including those of the International Civil Aviation Organisation and similar bodies, and
 - (j) the constitutional powers of the Commonwealth, State and Local Governments to legislate for the adequate control of aircraft noise and the necessity for legislation for this purpose, having regard to the fact that aerodromes may be owned or operated by the Commonwealth, State and Local Governments as well as private persons and organisations.
 - (2) That the committee consist of seven members, four to be appointed by the Prime Minister and three to be appointed by the Leader of the Opposition.
 - (3) That every appointment of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
 - (4) That the Chairman be appointed by the Prime Minister.
 - (5) That the Chairman have a deliberative vote and, in the event of an equality of votes, also have a casting vote.
 - (6) That the Chairman of the committee may from time to time appoint another member of the committee to be Deputy Chairman, and that the member so appointed act as Chairman of the committee at any time when the Chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee.
 - (7) That the Deputy Chairman, when acting as Chairman, have a deliberative vote and, in the event of an equality of votes, also have a casting vote.
 - (8) That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, and to move from place to place.
 - (9) That the committee have power to consider and make use of the minutes of evidence and records of the Select Committees on Aircraft Noise appointed during the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh Parliaments.
 - (10) That the committee report to the House as soon as possible.
 - (11) 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.
 - Mr Jones moved, as an amendment—That the following words be added at the end of sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (1): "with which is associated the positioning and development of major airports".

Debate continued.

Closure: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—being accordingly put—

The House divided (the Speaker, Sir William Aston, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 59

Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison
Mr Barnard	Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Nicholls
Mr Beazley	Mr Daly	Mr Jenkins	Mr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr Jess	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Everingham	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Scholes
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Sherry
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Foster	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr A, D. Fraser	Mr Keating	Mr Turner
Mr Calwell	Mr Fulton	Mr Kennedy	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Garrick	Mr Keogh	Mr Wallis
Mr Cass	Mr Grassby	Mr Kirwan	Mr Webb
Mr Cohen	Mr Griffiths	Mr Klugman	Mr Whitlam
Mr Collard	Mr Gun	Mr Luchetti	Tellers:
Mr Connor	Mr Hansen	Mr Martin	Mr Duthie
Mr Cope	Mr Hayden	Mr McIvor	Mr James

Noes, 62

Mr Adermann	Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon
Mr Anthony	Mr England	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Barnes	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock
Mr Bate	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr Pettitt
Mr Bonnett	Mr Forbes	Mr Kelly	Mr Reid
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr J. M. Fraser	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr Robinson
Mr Brown	Mr Garland	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Buchanan	Mr Giles	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Solomon
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr Mackay	Mr Swartz
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hamer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Chipp	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Mr Corbett	Mr Howson	Mr McEwen	Telle rs :
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hughes	Mr McLeay	Mr Fox
Mr Dobie	Mr Hulme	Mr McMahon	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put and passed.

11 PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES BILL 1970: Mr Peacock (Minister assisting the Prime Minister), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Parliamentary Allowances Act* 1952–1968.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Peacock moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Daly), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

12 Address in Reply to the Governor-General's Speech: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:

May IT Please Your Excellency:

We, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Hughes—Attorney-General), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

13 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Hughes (Attorney-General) moved—That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eighteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until tomorrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 11 March 1970, pursuant to statute:

Air Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, Nos. 20, 21.

Judiciary Act—Rules of Court—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 17.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Department of the Interior purposes— Townsville, Queensland.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, Nos. 22, 23, 24.

Petroleum Search Subsidy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 28.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 25.

Public Accounts Committee Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 18.

Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, Nos. 19, 27, 29.

Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 26.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr J. F. Cairns and Mr J. R. Fraser.

A. G. TURNER, Clerk of the House of Representatives