

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 29

THURSDAY, 2 JUNE 1977

1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Right Honourable B. M. Snedden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:

Mr Dobie, Mr Hodges and Mr Macphee—from certain citizens praying that steps be taken to end commercial whaling.

Mr Braithwaite and Mr Carige—from certain citizens praying that private clinics be prevented from performing abortions in the A.C.T. and that abortions not be financed through Medibank.

Mr Dobie and Dr Klugman—from certain members of the Service Station Association of N.S.W. Ltd and others praying that in implementing the findings of the Royal Commission on Petroleum the needs of the motoring public and the retail petroleum industry be given every consideration.

Dr Klugman and Mr Willis—from certain citizens praying that increases in the Consumer Price Index be applied to pensions and that future pensions not be reduced as a result of any revision of the Index.

Mr Wallis and Mr E. G. Whitlam—from certain citizens praying that pensions be increased quarterly to compensate for increases in the Consumer Price Index.

Mr Bungey—from certain citizens praying that the Government's long-term policy be to provide 50 per cent of funds for roads, that funds under the Aged Persons Homes Act be distributed more equitably and that television services be extended to remote areas.

Mr Bungey—from certain citizens praying that the Government's long-term policy be to provide 50 per cent of funds for roads.

Mr Bungey—from certain citizens praying that the law of God be applied in all legislative actions.

Dr Edwards—from certain citizens praying that the Broadcasting and Television Act be amended in relation to program standards.

Mr Haslem—from certain citizens praying that any change to the Australia Council's Community Arts Program be postponed until consultation takes place between the Government and the groups involved.

Mr Hyde—from certain citizens praying that representatives of the Rhodesian Government be invited to Australia.

Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that Mr Ignazio Salemi be permitted to remain in Australia.

Mr King—from certain citizens praying that the Government totally finance national highways and provide half the cost of all other public roads.

Mr Morris—from certain citizens praying that the House call on Sir John Kerr to resign as Governor-General.

Mr Morris—from certain citizens praying that the recommendations of the Committee of Inquiry into Public Libraries be implemented.

Mr Morris—from certain citizens praying that the Conciliation and Arbitration Act not be amended.

Mr Scholes—from certain citizens praying that current private hospital and nursing home subsidies not be withdrawn.

Petitions received.

- 3 WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT—NOTICE OF MOTION: Mr E. G. Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition) gave notice of a motion of want of confidence in the Government which he proposed to move at the next sitting.

Suspension of standing orders: Mr Anthony (Acting Prime Minister) moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving forthwith the motion of want of confidence of which he has given notice for the next sitting.

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

- 4 WANT OF CONFIDENCE IN THE GOVERNMENT: Mr E. G. Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That this House has no confidence in the Fraser Government because of:

- (1) Its creation of the highest unemployment since the Great Depression;
- (2) Its callous disregard for the victims of its economic policies including the unemployed and their families;
- (3) Its contempt for the law and defiance of the High Court in contriving to withhold unemployment benefits from eligible persons, and
- (4) The inability of the Treasurer to grasp and adequately respond to the grave social and economic consequences of his excessively severe economic measures.

Debate ensued.

Closure: Mr Lynch (Treasurer) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Snedden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 80

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| Mr Abel | Mr Dobie | Mr Jull | Mr E. L. Robinson |
| Mr Adermann | Mr Drummond | Mr Katter | Mr I. L. Robinson |
| Mr Aldred | Dr Edwards | Mr Kelly | Mr Ruddock |
| Mr Anthony | Mr Ellicott | Mr Killen | Mr Sainsbury |
| Mr Baillieu | Mr Falconer | Mr King | Mr Shipton |
| Mr Baume | Mr Fife | Mr Lloyd | Mr Short |
| Mr Birney | Mr Fisher | Mr Lucock | Mr Simon |
| Mr Bonnett | Mr Garland | Mr Lusher | Mr Sinclair |
| Mr Bourchier | Mr Giles | Mr Lynch | Mr Staley |
| Mr Bradfield | Mr Gillard | Mr MacKellar | Mr Street |
| Mr Braithwaite | Mr Graham | Mr MacKenzie | Mr Thomson |
| Mr Bungey | Mr Groom | Mr McLean | Mr Viner |
| Mr Burr | Mr Hamer | Mr McLeay | Mr Wentworth |
| Mr Cadman | Mr Hodges | Mr McVeigh | Mr Wilson |
| Mr K. M. Cairns | Mr Hodgman | Mr Macphee | Mr Yates |
| Mr Calder | Mr Holten | Mr Martyr | |
| Mr Carige | Mr Howard | Mr Millar | |
| Mr Chapman | Mr Hunt | Mr Neil | |
| Mr Chipp | Mr Hyde | Mr O'Keefe | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Connolly | Mr Jarman | Mr Porter | Mr D. M. Cameron |
| Mr Cotter | Mr P. F. Johnson | Dr Richardson | Mr Corbett |

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| Mr Armitage | Mr FitzPatrick | Mr Keating | Mr Wallis |
| Mr Beazley | Mr Fry | Dr Klugman | Mr A. P. Whitlam |
| Mr Bowen | Mr Garrick | Mr J. L. McMahon | Mr Willis |
| Dr J. F. Cairns | Mr Hayden | Mr Martin | Mr Young |
| Mr C. R. Cameron | Mr Jacobi | Mr Morris | |
| Dr Cass | Dr Jenkins | Mr Scholes | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Cohen | Mr L. K. Johnson | Mr Stewart | Mr James |
| Mr Crean | Mr Jones | Mr Uren | Mr L. R. Johnson |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—
The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Snedden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 31

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| Mr Armitage | Mr FitzPatrick | Mr Keating | Mr Wallis |
| Mr Beazley | Mr Fry | Dr Klugman | Mr A. P. Whitlam |
| Mr Bowen | Mr Garrick | Mr J. L. McMahon | Mr E. G. Whitlam |
| Dr J. F. Cairns | Mr Hayden | Mr Martin | Mr Willis |
| Mr C. R. Cameron | Mr Jacobi | Mr Morris | Mr Young |
| Dr Cass | Dr Jenkins | Mr Scholes | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Cohen | Mr L. K. Johnson | Mr Stewart | Mr James |
| Mr Crean | Mr Jones | Mr Uren | Mr L. R. Johnson |

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| Mr Abel | Mr Cotter | Mr Jarman | Mr Porter |
| Mr Adermann | Mr Dobie | Mr P. F. Johnson | Dr Richardson |
| Mr Aldred | Mr Drummond | Mr Jull | Mr E. L. Robinson |
| Mr Anthony | Dr Edwards | Mr Katter | Mr I. L. Robinson |
| Mr Baillieu | Mr Ellicott | Mr Kelly | Mr Ruddock |
| Mr Baume | Mr Falconer | Mr Killen | Mr Sainsbury |
| Mr Birney | Mr Fife | Mr King | Mr Shipton |
| Mr Bonnett | Mr Fisher | Mr Lucock | Mr Short |
| Mr Bourchier | Mr Garland | Mr Lusher | Mr Simon |
| Mr Bradfield | Mr Giles | Mr Lynch | Mr Sinclair |
| Mr Braithwaite | Mr Gillard | Mr MacKellar | Mr Staley |
| Mr Bungey | Mr Graham | Mr MacKenzie | Mr Street |
| Mr Burr | Mr Groom | Mr McLean | Mr Thomson |
| Mr Cadman | Mr Hamer | Mr McLeay | Mr Viner |
| Mr K. M. Cairns | Mr Hodges | Mr McVeigh | Mr Wentworth |
| Mr Calder | Mr Hodgman | Mr Macphee | Mr Wilson |
| Mr Carige | Mr Holten | Mr Martyr | Mr Yates |
| Mr Chapman | Mr Howard | Mr Millar | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Chipp | Mr Hunt | Mr Neil | Mr D. M. Cameron |
| Mr Connolly | Mr Hyde | Mr O'Keefe | Mr Corbett |

And so it was negatived.

5 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

By command of His Excellency the Administrator:

Council of Europe—Parliamentary Assembly—28th Ordinary Session, 20–23
September 1976—Report of Australian Delegation.

Ordered to be printed.

Radio Australia—Report of Independent Inquiry, dated December 1975.

Student loans—Committee appointed to examine desirability and feasibility of
introducing a system of loans for Australian post-secondary students—
Minority report.

Report, dated May 1977.

Pursuant to statute:

Aboriginal Land Fund Act—Aboriginal Land Fund Commission—2nd Annual
Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report,
for year 1975–76.

Aboriginal Loans Commission Act—Aboriginal Loans Commission—2nd Annual
Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report,
for year 1975–76.

River Murray Waters Act—River Murray Commission—Report for year 1975–76.

6 PINE GAP—JOINT DEFENCE SPACE RESEARCH FACILITY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—
MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Killen (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a
ministerial statement relating to the operation of the Joint Defence Space Research
Facility at Pine Gap, N.T., and, by command of His Excellency the Administrator,
presented the following paper:

Pine Gap—Joint Defence Space Research Facility—Ministerial statement, 2 June
1977.

Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate adjourned (Mr E. G. Whitlam—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption
of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 7 FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENCE—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT AND STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF REPORT: Mr Beazley (Deputy Chairman) presented the following report from the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence:
 Middle East—Focal point of conflict—Interests of the powers—An Australian perspective—Report, dated 26 April 1977, together with extracts from the transcript of evidence of the sub-committee on the Middle East.
 Ordered—That the report be printed.
 Mr Beazley, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.
 Mr Adermann (Minister for the Northern Territory), by leave, moved—That the House take note of the report.
 Debate adjourned (Mr Fife), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 8 FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENCE—JOINT COMMITTEE—INTERIM REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Hamer presented the following report from the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence:
 Industrial support for defence needs and allied matters—Interim report, dated June 1977.
 Mr Hamer, Mr Armitage and Mr Neil, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.
- 9 EXPENDITURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Garland (Chairman) presented the following report from the Standing Committee on Expenditure:
 Australia's overseas representation—Report, dated May 1977.
 Ordered to be printed.
 Mr Garland and Dr Jenkins, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.
- 10 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—13TH REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Hodges (Chairman) presented the 13th Report from the Publications Committee (sitting in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate). The report is as follows:
- 13TH REPORT
- The Publications Committee has the honour to report that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.
- The Joint Committee, having considered Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, and another paper previously presented, recommends that the following be printed:
- Aboriginal employment—Report of Interdepartmental Working Party, dated 31 July 1976.
 - Australia Council Act—Australia Council—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1975–76.
 - Australian Assistance Plan—Report entitled "A Guide to Allocating Community Funds".
 - Australian Development Assistance Agency Act—
 Australian Development Assistance Agency—2nd Annual Report and financial statements, for year 1975–76.
 - Chiropractic, Osteopathy, Homoeopathy and Naturopathy—Report of Committee of Inquiry, dated April 1977.
 - Coal Industry Act—Joint Coal Board—29th Annual Report and financial accounts, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1975–76.
 - Commonwealth Grants Commission—Special report 1977 on financial assistance for local government, dated 12 May 1977.
 - Cconciliation and Arbitration Act—Australian Arbitration Inspectorate—
 Report on operation of s. 125 for year 1975–76.
 - Department of Foreign Affairs—Report for 1976.
 - Education Research Act—Education Research and Development Committee—
 6th Annual Report, for year 1975–76.
 - Fishing Industry Act—20th Annual Report, for year 1975–76.

Fishing Industry Research Act—Fishing Industry Research Committee—7th Annual Report, for year 1975–76.

Industries Assistance Commission—

Reports—

Assistance for the consumption of phosphatic fertilizers, dated 30 October 1976.

Certain paper and paperboard—Tariff quotas, dated 18 February 1977.

Certain sheets and plates of iron or steel—Tariff quotas, dated 17 January 1977.

High voltage switch gear from India (Anti-dumping), dated 23 March 1977.

Temporary Assistance Authority—

Reports—

Umbrellas, dated 4 March 1977.

Valves, dated 31 December 1976.

Manufacturing industry—White paper, dated May 1977.

National Committee on Discrimination in Employment and Occupation—3rd Annual Report, for year 1975–76.

National Highways linking Hobart, Launceston and Burnie—Approaches to Hobart—Report by Commonwealth Bureau of Roads, dated 31 March 1977.

Ranger Uranium Environmental Inquiry—2nd report of Commission of Inquiry, dated 17 May 1977.

Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Act—

Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Trust—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's report, for year 1975–76.

Royal Commission on Intelligence and Security—Abridged findings and recommendations of third report, dated April 1977.

Science and Industry Endowment Act—Report by Auditor-General on accounts of Science and Industry Endowment Fund for year 1975–76.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

Legal Aid Ordinance—Legal Aid Committee of the Australian Capital Territory—Report and financial statement, together with the auditor's report, for year—

1973–74.

1974–75.

Statement of receipts and expenditure for the Australian Capital Territory for year 1975–76.

United Nations—General Assembly—31st Session, New York, 22 September to 22 December 1976—Report of Australian Delegation.

Wool Industry Act—Australian Wool Corporation—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1975–76.

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Chairman

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Mr Hodges, by leave, moved—That the report be agreed to.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Hodges, by leave, made a statement relating to the supply of copies of reports presented to the Parliament.

- 11 INCOME TAX (ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE STATES) BILL 1977: Mr Lynch (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Assessment and Collection by the Commonwealth on behalf of a State of personal income tax imposed by that State and the Making of Payments by a State to the Commonwealth in partial Discharge of the Liability of Residents of that State in respect of Commonwealth personal income tax, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 12 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—ANALYTICAL LABORATORY, PYMBLE, N.S.W.: Mr McLeay (Minister for Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of an analytical laboratory at Pymble, N.S.W.

Mr McLeay presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

- 13 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—R.A.A.F. BASE, EDINBURGH, S.A.: Mr McLeay (Minister for Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Development of R.A.A.F. Base, Edinburgh, S.A.

Mr McLeay presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

- 14 R.A.A.F. BASE, POINT COOK, VIC.—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr McLeay (Minister for Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Development of R.A.A.F. Base, Point Cook, Vic.

Question—put and passed.

- 15 PRIMARY SCHOOL, KATHERINE SOUTH, N.T.—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr McLeay (Minister for Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of a new primary school at Katherine South, N.T.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 16 MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR—ASSENT TO BILLS: A message from His Excellency the Administrator was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

1 June 1977—Message No. 32—

Appropriation (No. 3) 1976–77.

Appropriation (No. 4) 1976–77.

- 17 STEVEDORING INDUSTRY (TEMPORARY PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 1977: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Street (Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations), the Bill was read a third time.

- 18 STEVEDORING INDUSTRY CHARGE AMENDMENT BILL 1977: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Street (Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations), the Bill was read a third time.

- 19 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 15 (1977): Mr Howard (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 15 (1977).
Debate adjourned (Mr L. K. Johnson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 20 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT: Mr Howard (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 16 August next, at 2.15 p.m., unless Mr Speaker, or, in the absence from Australia of Mr Speaker, the Chairman of Committees, shall, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an alternative day of meeting.
Question—put and passed.
- 21 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS: Mr Howard (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved—That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.
Question—put and passed.
- 22 NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS POLICY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 24 May 1977*), viz.:
Nuclear safeguards policy—Ministerial statement, 24 May 1977—
Debate resumed.
Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr E. L. Robinson (Minister for Post and Telecommunications), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Acting Prime Minister speaking without limitation of time.
Question—put and passed.
Debate continued.
Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Howard (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Keating speaking for a period not exceeding 25 minutes.
Question—put and passed.
Debate continued.
Ordered—That Mr Newman (Minister for Environment, Housing and Community Development) be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Question—put and passed.
- 23 URANIUM INDUSTRY: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Nixon (Minister for Transport)—That, in the opinion of this House, the question of further development of the Australian uranium industry, other than to meet export arrangements entered into before December 1972, and the safeguards to be applied to exports under any future contracts should be the subject of further public debate—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Chipp, viz.*—That the following words be added to the motion: “and that the House is of the opinion that there should be a moratorium of at least 2 years on the mining and exporting of uranium, as mentioned in the Fox Report, to allow sufficient time for public debate, as recommended by the Fox Report, and for further research into the risks involved and possible future energy sources”—
Amendment negatived.
Motion agreed to.
- 24 ROAD SAFETY—STANDING COMMITTEE: Mr Speaker informed the House that the Acting Prime Minister had nominated Mr Groom to be a member of the Standing Committee on Road Safety in place of Mr Short, resigned.

25 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

By command of His Excellency the Administrator:

Committee on Overseas Professional Qualifications—8th Report, dated December 1976.

Commonwealth Youth Program—Meeting of Young Commonwealth Leaders—Ocho Rios, Jamaica, May 1977—Report of Australian Delegation Leader.

Pursuant to statute:

States Grants (Nature Conservation) Act—Agreement, dated 19 May 1977, relating to financial assistance to Queensland for land acquisition for nature conservation purposes (Cape Cleveland and other areas).

26 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure: Mr Sinclair moved—That the question be now put.

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

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at 11.05 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 16 August next, at 2.15 p.m., unless Mr Speaker, or, in the absence from Australia of Mr Speaker, the Chairman of Committees, shall, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an alternative day of meeting.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 2 June 1977:

By command of His Excellency the Administrator:

Treaties—Text of—

- (1) Exchange of Notes, dated 12 August 1976, between Australia and Nauru, constituting an Agreement amending the 1969 Agreement relating to Air Services.
- (2) Cultural Co-operation Agreement between Australia and Yugoslavia, signed at Canberra on 14 September 1976.
- (3) Air Transport Agreement between Australia and Burma, signed at Rangoon on 23 September 1976.
- (4) Agreement between Australia and Papua New Guinea regarding the Status of Forces of each State in the Territory of the Other State, signed at Port Moresby on 26 January 1977.
- (5) Exchange of Notes, dated 14 December 1976 and 18 January 1977, between Australia and the United States of America constituting an Agreement regarding the Importation of Meat into the United States.
- (6) Exchange of Notes, dated 20 September 1976 and 14 January 1977, between Australia and the United States of America constituting an Agreement concerning the Launching of 6 Aerobee Sounding Rockets.
- (7) Protocol to the Trade Agreement between Australia and the German Democratic Republic, signed at Berlin on 22 February 1977.
- (8) Memorandum of Agreement, dated 4 February 1976, regarding Project Execution, Procurement and Use of Funds in respect of the Bangladesh Population Project.
- (9) World Administrative Radio Conference for the Planning of the Broadcasting-Satellite Service in frequency bands 11.7–12.2 GHz (in Regions 2 and 3) and 11.7–12.5 GHz (in Region 1)—Final Acts, signed at Geneva on 13 February 1977.

Pursuant to statute:

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposal for collection of information—1977—No. 3—Annual accounting aggregates from terminating building societies.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands Act—Ordinance—1977—No. 1—Immigration (Amendment) (*In substitution for the paper presented on 5 May 1977*).

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations accompanied by statements regarding possible inconsistency with the law—
1976—

- No. 405—Common Rule *re* Sick Leave.
- No. 775—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.†
- No. 829—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.
- No. 844—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia and others.
- No. 847—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.
- Nos. 849 and 850—Royal Australian Nursing Federation.
- No. 874—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
- No. 875—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

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- Nos. 1 and 2—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
- No. 3—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
- No. 4—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
- No. 6—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 7—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.†
- No. 8—Australian Public Service Artisans' Association.
- No. 9—Australian Public Service Artisans' Association and another.
- No. 10—Australian Theatrical and Amusement Employees Association.
- No. 11—Professional Musicians Union of Australia.
- Nos. 12 to 14—Australian Journalists Association.
- No. 15—Australian Broadcasting Commission Senior Officers' Association and another.
- No. 16—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
- No. 17—Australian Workers' Union.
- No. 18—Federated Miscellaneous Workers Union of Australia.
- No. 19—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.
- No. 20—Federated Liquor and Allied Industries Employees Union of Australia.
- No. 21—Federated Ship Painters and Dockers Union of Australia.
- No. 22—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.
- No. 23—Federated Furnishing Trade Society of Australasia.
- No. 24—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia and others.
- No. 25—Federated Engine Drivers' and Firemen's Association of Australasia.
- No. 26—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.†
- No. 27—Australian Workers' Union.†
- No. 28—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.†
- No. 29—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
- Nos. 30 and 31—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.†
- No. 32—Australian Workers' Union.†
- No. 33—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia and others.†
- Nos. 34 and 35—Meat Inspectors Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 36—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 37—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
- No. 38—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service and another.
- No. 39—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
- No. 40—Commonwealth Medical Officers Association.
- No. 41—Repatriation Department Medical Officers Association.
- No. 42—Professional Para-Medical Officers Association (Commonwealth Public Service).
- No. 43—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 44—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.

- No. 45—Royal Australian Nursing Federation.
- No. 46—Federated Miscellaneous Workers Union of Australia.
- No. 47—Royal Australian Nursing Federation.
- No. 48—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.
- No. 49—Royal Australian Nursing Federation.
- No. 50—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 51—Commonwealth Medical Officers Association.
- No. 52—Repatriation Department Medical Officers Association.
- No. 53—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 54—Federated Miscellaneous Workers Union of Australia.
- No. 55—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 56—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.
- No. 57—Telecommunication Technical Officers' Association, Postmaster-General's Department.
- No. 58—Australian Journalists Association.
- No. 59—Federated Storemen and Packers Union of Australia.
- No. 60—Australian Public Service Artisans' Association and another.
- No. 61—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
- No. 62—Industrial Arbitration Registrars' Association.
- No. 63—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
- No. 64—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.
- No. 65—Commonwealth Police Officers' Association.
- Nos. 66 and 67—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 68—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service and another.
- No. 69—Australian Theatrical and Amusement Employees Association.
- No. 70—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.
- No. 71—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 72—Arbitration Inspectors' Association.
- No. 73—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 74—Royal Australian Nursing Federation.
- No. 75—Commonwealth Police Officers' Association.
- No. 76—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
- No. 77—Printing and Kindred Industries Union.
- No. 78—Australian Workers' Union.
- No. 79—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 83—Line Inspectors' Association, Commonwealth of Australia.
- No. 84—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
- No. 85—Civil Air Operations Officers' Association of Australia.
- No. 86—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
- No. 87—Vehicle Builders Employees Federation of Australia.
- No. 88—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
- No. 89—Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers and others.
- No. 90—Australian Licensed Aircraft Engineers Association.
- Nos. 91 and 92—Federal Firefighters' Union.
- No. 93—Customs Officers' Association of Australia, Fourth Division.
- No. 94—Commonwealth Works Supervisors Association.
- No. 95—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
- No. 96—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
- No. 97—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia.
- No. 98—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
- No. 99—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 100—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
- No. 101—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
- No. 102—Federated Miscellaneous Workers Union of Australia.

- Nos. 103 and 104—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia and others.
- No. 105—Australian Journalists Association.
- No. 106—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 107—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia and others.
- No. 108—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 109—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.†
- No. 110—Australian Government Lawyers Association.
- No. 111—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service and another.
- Nos. 112 to 114—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 124—Shop, Distributive and Allied Employees Association.
- No. 125—Federated Storemen and Packers Union of Australia and another.
- No. 126—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
- No. 127—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
- No. 128—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 129—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
- No. 130—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia.
- No. 131—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia and others.
- No. 228—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 229—Telecommunication Technical Officers' Association, Postmaster-General's Department.†
- No. 230—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.†
- No. 231—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
- No. 232—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.
- No. 233—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
- No. 234—Amalgamated Metal Workers' Union and others.†
- No. 235—Australian Workers' Union.†
- No. 236—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.†
- No. 237—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and another.
- No. 238—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
- No. 239—Actors' and Announcers' Equity Association of Australia.
- No. 240—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.
- No. 241—Meat Inspectors Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 242—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 243—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
- No. 244—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 245—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
- No. 246—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service and another.

† Not accompanied by statement.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Brown, Mr Bryant, Mr Connor, Mr Fraser, Mr W. McMahon, Mr Moore, Mr Nicholls*, Mr Nixon,^u Mr Peacock and Mr Sullivan.

* On leave

J. A. PETTIFER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives