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Upgrade Patrol Boat
Facilities, HMAS
Coonawarra, Darwin, NT

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

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List of Abbreviations

ACPB	ARMIDALE Class Patrol Boats
AGO	Australian Greenhouse Office
ANAO	Australian National Audit Office
BCA	Building Code of Australia
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
DEH	Department of Environment and Heritage
DMO	Defence Materiel Organisation
DNB	Darwin Naval Base
Defence	Department of Defence
EPBC Act	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999
RAN	Royal Australian Navy



Extract from the Votes and Proceedings of the House of Representatives

No. 28 dated Thursday, 11 May 2005

HVP No. 28 PUBLIC WORKS – PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE –
REFERENCE OF WORK – UPGRADE OF PATROL BOAT FACILITIES, DARWIN
NAVAL BASE, NT

Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and
Administration), 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
consideration and report: Upgrade of Patrol Boat Facilities, Darwin Naval Base,
NT.

Question – put and passed.



List of Recommendations

3 Issues and Conclusions

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that the Department of Defence maintain close consultation with the Northern Territory Department of Lands, Planning and Environment to ensure minimisation of damage to the marine environment occasioned by dredging activities at *HMAS Coonawarra*.

Recommendation 2

In view of the importance of fire protection and evacuation measures, the Committee recommends that the Department of Defence supply it with details of the fire protection system proposed for the Standby Crew and Port Services Organisation building, including any departures from the requirements of the Building Code of Australia, when these have been determined.

Recommendation 3

The Committee recommends that the proposed upgrade of patrol boat facilities at *HMAS Coonawarra*, Darwin, proceed at the estimated cost of \$19.2 million.

