



**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE
NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES**

Inquiry into the role of the National Capital Authority

MEDIA ALERT

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Inquiry into the role of the National Capital Authority NEW REPORTING DATE

Federal Parliament's National Capital Committee is in the final stage of its inquiry into the role of the National Capital Authority (NCA).

The inquiry has attracted considerable public interest. Views have been put to the Committee by members of the public and by institutions with an interest in the future development of Canberra as the national capital.

The Committee has received 89 submissions and 20 supplementary submissions and heard evidence from 25 witnesses in addition to an active public forum. These consultations have provided diverse and very valuable insights into the current planning arrangements.

The Committee was scheduled to report by 30 June 2008. However, given the level of public interest, and in order to ensure that all matters are thoroughly considered, the Committee will now report by 16 July 2008.

Further details about the inquiry can be obtained from the committee's website at <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/ncet/index.htm> or by contacting the committee secretariat on **(02) 6277 4355** or emailing jscncet@aph.gov.au.

Information about the National Capital Authority can be found at <http://www.nationalcapital.gov.au/>.

To arrange media comment: Please contact the Chair of the Committee, Senator Kate Lundy (02) 6230 0411 (electorate office).