



External Territories Inquiry
Inquiry into the adequacy of funding for
Australia's Antarctic Program

The Federal Parliament's Joint Standing Committee on the External Territories is inquiring into the adequacy of funding for Australia's Antarctic Program as part of its review of the annual report of the Department of the Environment and Heritage 2001-02.

In particular the Committee will consider the adequacy of funding to meet the four goals set for advancing Australia's Antarctic interests:

- enhancing Australia's influence in the Antarctic Treaty system;
- protecting the Antarctic environment;
- understanding Antarctica's role in the global climate system; and
- conducting scientific research of practical, economic or national significance.

Written submissions are sought from interested persons and organisations. Submissions should be lodged by Friday 5 December 2003 and addressed to:

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