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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE

REPORT RELATING TO
PROPOSED WORKS IN THE PARLIAMENTARY ZONE

LAKE FORESHORE DEVELOPMENT
AND LIGHTING WITHIN THE PARLIAMENTARY ZONE

MEMBERSHIP OF THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE
NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE

(Thirty-fifth Parliament)

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PROPOSED WORKS IN THE PARLIAMENTARY ZONE

LAKE FORESHORE DEVELOPMENT AND LIGHTING WITHIN THE PARLIAMENTARY ZONE

Under paragraph 4 of its resolution of appointment, the Joint Standing Committee on the New Parliament House is authorised to consider and report on matters coming within the terms of section 5 of the Parliament Act 1974 as may be referred to it by the Minister responsible for administering the National Capital Development Commission Act 1957, or by resolution of either House of the Parliament.

Section 5 of the Parliament Act 1974 gives Parliament control over the erection of buildings or other work within the Parliamentary Zone which is defined in the Act. Subsection 5(1) of the Act provides as follows:

No building or other work is to be erected on land within the Parliamentary zone unless the Minister has caused a proposal for the erection of the building or work to be laid before each House of the Parliament and the proposal has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

BACKGROUND

On 2 March 1989 the House of Representatives, on the motion of the Minister for the Arts and Territories, referred a proposal for Lake Foreshore Development and Lighting within the Parliamentary Zone to this Committee for consideration and report.

THE PROPOSAL

The National Capital Planning Authority proposes to construct a Lakeshore Promenade along the southern foreshore of Lake Burley Griffin and lighting throughout the Parliamentary zone.

The work would comprise laying of granite paving, planting trees, grass and shrub planting beneath the trees, modifications to the lake edge wall, installation of light fittings, provision of a dedicated bicycle path and some alterations to visitor parking areas.

The Lakeshore Promenade is a vital part of the Parliamentary Zone Development Plan. Completion of this work will provide a physical definition to the lake edge as well as enhancing the amenity of what is currently a barren and windswept space. It will also provide a "connection" between the landscape works in front of the National Library, High Court and National Gallery. The Promenade is 800 metres long.

With the opening of Parliament House and the National Science and Technology Centre, a significant increase in tourist and visitor numbers within the Zone can be anticipated.

The work proposed is consistent with the approved Parliamentary Zone Development Plan.

The works are estimated to cost \$1.7m and, subject to approval, will start in late 1988-89.

The attached plans show the location and design of the work.

CONCLUSION

The Committee accepts the need for this work in the Parliamentary Zone. It has already approved the Parliamentary Zone Development Plan and the design of the lighting in its report to Parliament dated 2 April 1987.

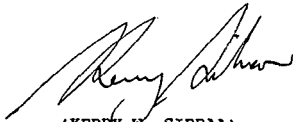
RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends approval of the following works in the Parliamentary Zone:

- (a) Landscape development of the southern foreshore of Lake Burley Griffin; and
- (b) the construction of lighting throughout the Parliamentary zone.

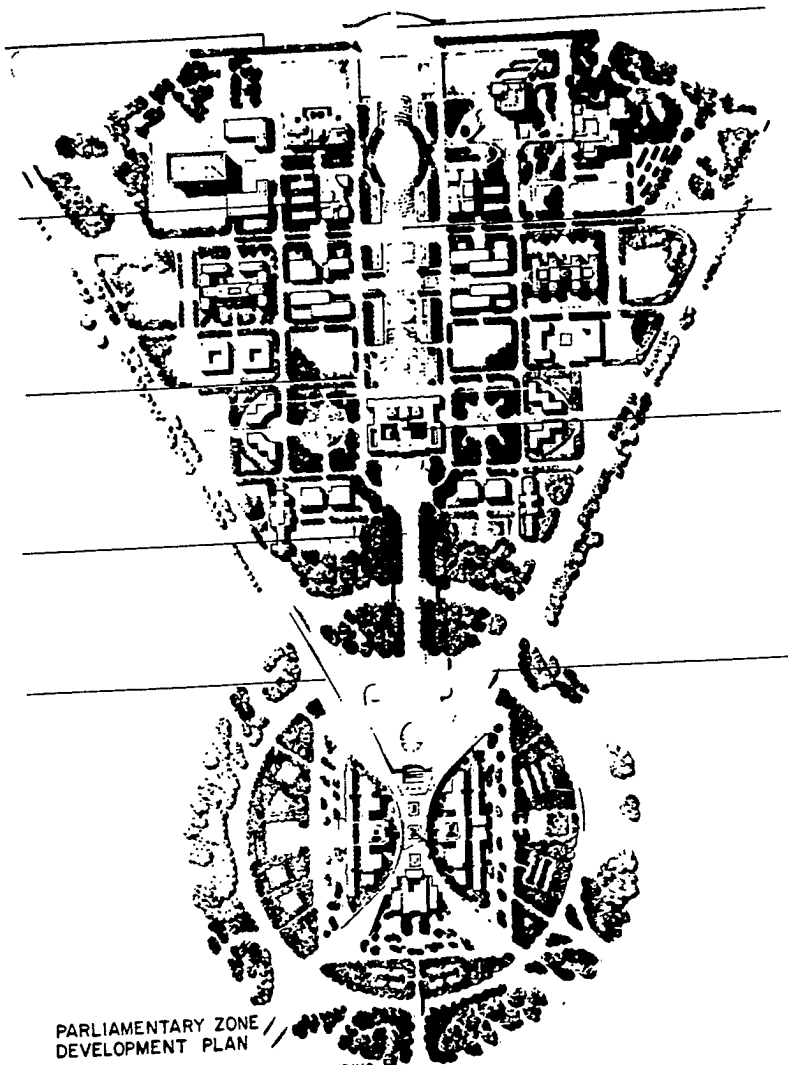


(J. CHILD)
Speaker of the House
of Representatives



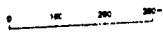
(KERRY W. SIBRAA)
President
of the Senate

9 March 1989



PARLIAMENTARY ZONE /
DEVELOPMENT PLAN

AS APPROVED BY THE JOINT STANDING
COMMITTEE ON THE NEW PARLIAMENT
HOUSE ON 1 APRIL 1987.

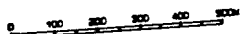


LAKE BURLEY BRIFIN



PERSPECTIVE SKETCH
OF PROPOSED 4.5m
LIGHTING UNIT

PROPOSED TO BE INSTALLED
AT APPROXIMATELY 24
METRE CENTRES THROUGHOUT
THE PARLIAMENTARY ZONE



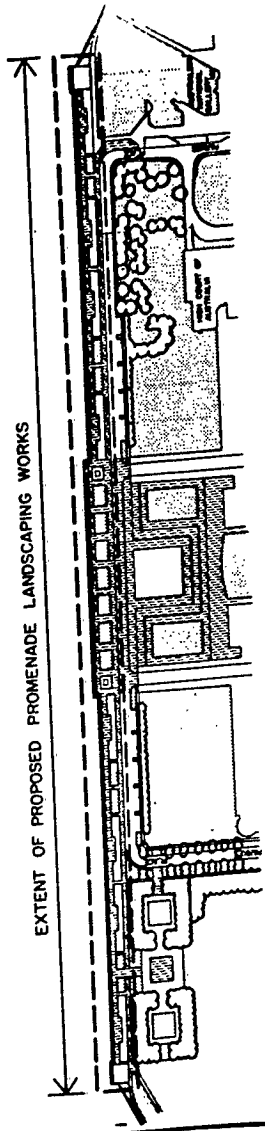
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PARKES PROPOSED LIGHTING

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LAKE BURLEY GRIFFIN

EXTENT OF PROPOSED PROMENADE LANDSCAPING WORKS



National Capital Development Commission			
PARKS - PARLIAMENTARY ZONE			
PROMENADE LANDSCAPING PLAN			
DATE	J.M.	REVISED	DATE
			07/9/86
NOT TO SCALE			PLAN No. 2150/86