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PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

FIFTY-THIRD GENERAL REPORT

Pursuant to section 16 of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works is required to report to Parliament annually on its proceedings during the preceding twelve months. This report, the Committee's Fifty-third General Report, is for the period 1 January 1989 to 31 December 1989 and covers the proceedings of the Twenty-ninth Committee.

ROLE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

1. The Public Works Committee was established in 1913 and is the longest serving investigative Committee of the Parliament. Since 1969 the Committee has been constituted under the *Public Works Committee Act 1969* and is one of the five committees of the Parliament established by statute. It is the responsibility of the Committee to consider each public work referred to it and to report to both Houses of Parliament on its recommendations and related matters.

2. Under section 17 of the Act, the Committee is required to report on the expediency of carrying out the public work and to examine, inter alia, the necessity for the work and the most effective use of moneys to be spent on the proposed work.

3. Subject to certain exemptions, for example urgent or repetitive works, all Commonwealth public works, including those of statutory authorities and Commonwealth instrumentalities (unless exempted by regulation), with an estimated cost of \$6m or more are subject to referral to the Committee. Work cannot commence until the Committee's report has been presented to both Houses of Parliament and the House of Representatives has agreed to a motion approving the carrying out of the work.

4. The Committee's program of work and inquiries are initiated by the projects referred to it by the Parliament through the Minister for Administrative Services. Inquiries are carried out through public hearings followed by the Committee deliberating on the evidence and reporting to Parliament. Public hearings are held usually near the locations of proposed works and generally are preceded by an inspection of existing facilities, if any, and the site of the proposed works.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

5. Since its inception the Committee has consisted of nine members from both the Government and Opposition members of Parliament. There are six members from the House of Representatives and three members from the Senate. The members of the Twenty-ninth Committee were appointed by the House of Representatives on 8 October 1987 and the Senate on 7 October 1987. Members were:

Mr C Hollis MP (Chairman)

Mr P C Millar MP (Vice-Chairman)

Senator B R Burns

Senator J R Devereux

Senator Dr G Shell

Mr G Gear MP

Mr R G Halverson OBE MP

Mr J G Mountford MP

Mr W L Taylor MP *

* Mr Taylor was appointed to the Committee on 29 September 1988 following the resignation of Mr M A Burr MP.

MEETINGS

6. The Committee met on 68 occasions during 1989 to take evidence at 23 public hearings, to carry out 23 site inspections and to hold 22 private meetings. Meetings were held in the following locations:

Canberra	20
Brisbane	9
Melbourne	9
Darwin	6
Sydney	5
Alice Springs	5
Perth	3
Wagga Wagga (NSW)	3
Bandiana (VIC)	2
Hobart	2
Oakey (QLD)	2
Townsville (QLD)	2
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7. While in Japan on other parliamentary business in September 1989 the Chairman inspected work on the rationalisation and redevelopment of Australian Government property holdings in Tokyo. This project was exempted from Public Works Committee scrutiny on the grounds of urgency in May 1987. During January 1989 the Chairman also inspected progress of the redevelopment of facilities at the Australian Antarctic bases at Davis and Mawson. This work was the subject of the Commonwealth's fifth report of 1981 and is scheduled to be completed in 1997/98.

REFERENCES AND REPORTS

8. The Committee examined 32 projects during 1989 including eight projects carried over from 1988. While 25 projects were referred during 1989, no action was taken on one of these: development of Australian Defence Force Academy Stage 2, Canberra. The Committee took this action at the request of the Department of Defence which advised that it did not want the project to proceed until 1991/2.

9. During 1989 the Committee tabled 26 reports, including reports on eight projects referred in 1988. This is the highest number of reports the Committee has presented since 1972 when 35 reports were tabled. It should be noted that in 1972 the Committee reported on projects in Papua New Guinea and state-type projects in the Northern Territory. The Committee was unable to report on seven other projects which were referred late in 1989. Following the dissolution of the House of Representatives on 19 February 1990 these projects lapsed.

The projects are:

- . Redevelopment of Aeronautical Research Laboratory site, Fishermens Bend, Victoria
- . Housing developments by the Defence Housing Authority at Laverton and Macleod, Victoria and Bullsbrook, WA
- . Dedicated Computer Centre for the Australian Taxation Office, Bruce, ACT
- . Construction of Commonwealth Law Courts, Brisbane, Queensland
- . Multi-user Army Reserve Depot, Oakleigh, Victoria
- . Puckapunyal Redevelopment Stage 1, Victoria
- . Redevelopment of the Army Aviation Centre at Oakey, Queensland

10. Public hearings and site inspections have been carried out on all projects with the exception of the Redevelopment of the Aeronautical Research Laboratory site, Fishermens Bend, Victoria and the dedicated Computer Centre for the Australian Taxation Office, Bruce, ACT.

11. The estimated cost of the proposals reported on by the Committee during 1989 was \$1.1 billion.

12. A list of the reports presented by the Committee in 1989 is at Appendix A.

WORKS EXCEEDING PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REFERENCE OF \$6m DURING DOCUMENTATION/TENDERING STAGE

13. The Committee was advised by Australian Construction Services that during 1989 no projects exceeded the reference limit of \$6m during the documentation/tendering stage.

NON-REFERRAL OF DEFENCE WORKS

14. During 1989 the Governor-General, acting on the advice of the Federal Executive Council, exempted two defence works from Committee scrutiny under section 18(8)(c) of the Public Works Act. This section provides that public works can be declared for defence purposes and that reference to the Committee would be contrary to the public interest and could lead to public disclosure of information affecting national security.

15. The works were:

- . relocation of the Defence Signals Directorate from Melbourne to Canberra
- . headquarters Australian Defence Force Operation Centre.

CONSULTATION

16. An issue raised in a number of reports throughout the year is the need for adequate consultation e.g. see the following reports:

- . Construction of New Communications and Recruit Schools, HMAS Cerberus, Crib Point, Victoria (2/1989)
- . Construction of Family Court of Australia, Sydney, NSW (11/1989)
- . Housing Developments by the Defence Housing Authority at Randwick, Holsworthy and East Hills, Sydney, NSW (21/1989)
- . Fitout Works at Box Hill and Moonee Ponds, Victoria, Adelaide and Perth for the Australian Taxation Office (23/1989).

17. The Committee often finds that departments and authorities have a completely different perspective regarding the consultation process to those groups who have been consulted. The Committee is left with the impression that consultation has often taken place late in the planning process. Far too often consultation is perceived as token only. The Committee believes that departments and authorities have an obligation to ensure that consultation is undertaken in a meaningful way and that those being consulted have adequate time to respond.

CHILD CARE

18. During 1989 the question of the provision of child care facilities in Commonwealth buildings was raised on a number of occasions, particularly as the Commonwealth Government while encouraging the private sector to provide child care facilities had not made a similar decision regarding Commonwealth offices. The Committee, in its report regarding the proposed construction of new Commonwealth Offices, Logan City, Queensland (13/1989), recommended that the existing policy of not providing child care facilities in Commonwealth offices should be reviewed. In making this recommendation the Committee was aware that child care

facilities are already provided in the Commonwealth sector by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. The Committee now understands that Cabinet has recently decided that Commonwealth Departments can provide child care centres for employees subject to cost neutral and accountability guidelines.

CAR-PARKING

19. The issue of car-parking is one which is continually raised by local authorities. The basic problem has been the Commonwealth's policy of providing car-parking for official vehicles only - staff parking is not provided for. This brings the Commonwealth into conflict with local authorities which generally require more car-parking than the Commonwealth is prepared to provide. The Committee understands that the existing policy concerning the provision of car-parking at Commonwealth office projects is being reviewed by the Department of Administrative Services and is currently the subject of discussions with the Department of Finance.

20. In its report on the proposed construction of new Commonwealth offices at Logan City, Queensland (13/1989), the Committee recommended that the review consider whether the Commonwealth should as a matter of course adopt local government requirements and how it may meet the reasonable needs of local authorities.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS

21. In its report relating to the development of HMAS Stirling, Stage 2, Western Australia (16/1989), the Committee drew attention to the fact that at the time of its inquiry the processes for this project under the *Environment Protection (Impact of Proposals) Act 1974* had not been completed. This is a matter of concern to the Committee because it is possible that the environmental review of a project could necessitate changes

to a project already approved by the Committee. Accordingly in its report on the HMAS Stirling project the Committee recommended that environmental reviews should be completed before projects are referred to it for examination.

EARLIER CONSIDERATION OF PROJECTS

22. Following amendments to the *Public Works Committee Act 1969* in March 1989, projects can be referred to the Committee at an earlier stage than previously. In practice this can be at the conceptual design stage rather than at the detailed design stage. The Committee welcomes this development as it provides the opportunity for changes to be made to projects more easily than under the previous system.

ADMINISTRATION, STAFFING ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

23. The Committee Secretariat as at 31 December 1989 comprised:

Secretary	Peter Roberts
Assistant Secretary	Denise Denahy
Research Officer	Margaret Atkin
Secretarial Support	Helen Hutchins
	Helen Fyfe

24. David Crawford and Judy Jurek also served on the Secretariat during the year. Ross Paul, a member of the Executive Development Scheme spent one of his departmental rotations with the Secretariat. John Corder provided assistance to the Committee during December 1989. The Committee wishes to record its appreciation of the work of all members of the Secretariat during 1989.

25. Throughout the year in its public hearings, site inspections and meetings, the Committee has been assisted by many organisations and individuals particularly by officers from Australian Construction Services. This assistance is appreciated and gratefully acknowledged by the Committee.

26. The Committee also wishes to express its appreciation to John May and staff of the House of Representatives Transport Office, the Parliamentary Reporting Staff, Mick Hourigan and Bob Geraghty of the Australian Government Publishing Service, Pat Norris and staff of the House of Representatives Printing Section and John Leckey of the House of Representatives Stores Section.


Colin Hollis

Chairman

23 August 1990.

APPENDIX A
REPORTS PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 1989
THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT

Date Proposal Referred	Proposed Works	No. of Report Presented	Date Report Presented	Expenditure Referred to Committee \$m	Recommended Expenditure by Committee \$m	Motion for Expenditure Passed	Remarks
31.08.88	Construction of National Medical Cyclotron Facility, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney	1/1989	08.03.89	8.9	8.9	09.03.89	Recommended as proposed.
29.10.88	Construction of New Communications and Recruit Schools, RusSELLS Creek, Crib Point, Victoria	2/1989	08.03.89	15.95	15.95	09.03.89	Heritage organisations should be involved at an early stage in planning process.
20.10.88	Development of a Military Police Centre at Green Hill, near Military Area, NSW	3/1989	08.03.89	12.3	12.3	06.04.89	Recommended as proposed.
29.10.88	Construction of National Biological Standards Laboratory, Symonston, ACT	4/1989	04.04.89	51.4	51.4	10.04.89	Recommended as proposed.
29.09.88	CSIRO North Ryde Laboratories Site Development, Stage 1	5/1989	04.04.89	18.5	18.5	13.04.89	Recommended as proposed.

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Date Proposal Referred	Proposed Works	No. of Report Presented	Date Report Presented	Expenditure Referred to Committee \$m	Recommended Expenditure by Committee \$m	Motion for Expenditure Passed	Remarks
20.10.88	Construction of a Filling Facility for St Marys Munitions Filling Factory, NSW	6/1989	04.04.89	7.7	7.7	10.04.89	Recommended as proposed.
03.11.88	Redevelopment of Army Logistics and Training Complex, Steeles Hill, Bandiana, Victoria	7/1989	13.04.89	68.0	68.0	08.05.89	Recommended with review of security arrangements and location of the distribution centre.
29.11.88	Upgrade of Navy Living-in Accommod- ation at HMS Carberus, Crib Point, VIC	8/1989	13.04.89	15.7	15.7	08.05.89	Recommended as proposed.
25.01.89	Development of RAF Base, Wagga Wagga, NSW	9/1989	13.04.89	23.6	23.6	08.05.89	Negotiations should commence with State Rail Authority to resume rail easement. Location of flammable store to be examined.
25.01.89	ABC Radio and Orchestra Project, SouthBank	10/1989	09.05.89	39.4	39.4	11.05.89	Recommended as proposed.

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REPORTS PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 1989
THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT

Date Proposal Referred	Proposed Works	No. of Report Report Presented	Date Report Presented	Expenditure Proposed when Referred to Committee	Recommended Expenditure by Committee	Motion for Expediency Passed	Remarks
				\$m	\$m		
25.01.89	Family Court of Australia, Sydney	11/1989	24.05.89	42.5	42.5	29.05.89	Recommended consultation with unions & staff to ascertain the need for additional technical working requirements.
13.04.89	Construction of Facilities for 2nd Army Regiment, Darwin	12/1989	15.08.90	62.7	62.7	17.08.89	Recommended provision of a permanent community facility and a more suitable interim facility.
13.04.89	Construction of Commonwealth Offices Logan City, Queensland	13/1989	05.09.89	9.6	9.6	05.10.89	Recommended with the suggested inclusion of additional public facilities. Committee also recommended review of car parking & childcare policies.
31.05.89	Pilot Work of Civil Aviation Headquarters Building, Canberra	14/1989	05.09.89	10.5	13.4	06.09.89	Detailed planning after reference sent to additional facilities & design changes.
23.05.89	Expansion of International Terminal Facilities, Melbourne Airport	15/1989	21.11.89	170.0	170.0	27.11.89	Recommended as proposed.

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REPORTS PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 1989
THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT

Date Proposal Referred	Proposed Works	No. of Report Report Presented	Date Report Presented	Expenditure Proposed when Referred to Committee	Recommended Expenditure by Committee	Motion for Expediency Passed	Remarks
				\$m	\$m		
29.05.89	Stage 2 development, including new sub- marine school, RHAS Stirling, Garden Island, WA	16/1989	30.10.89	135.6	135.4	02.11.89	Recommended as proposed. Review of Commonwealth car parking policy should be completed before reference to the Committee.
31.05.89	Northside develop- ment of Civil Aviation Facilities, Darwin Airport	17/1989	30.10.89	72.0	72.0	22.11.89	Two aerobridges should be provided for domestic terminal.
15.06.89	Stage 2 development, Commonwealth Government Centre, Hobart	18/1989	22.11.89	19.9	19.9	22.11.89	Recommended as proposed. Review of Commonwealth car parking policy should be completed as soon as possible.
05.09.89	Redevelopment of terminal facilities at Alice Springs Airport	19/1989	21.11.89	20.0	20.0	23.11.89	Recommended as proposed. Master plan should be prepared as soon as possible.
31.08.89	Commonwealth Offices Project, Alice Springs	20/1989	23.11.89	5.68	5.88	23.11.89	To facilitate future expansion a concrete slab should be provided at an additional cost of \$200,000.

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THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT

Date Proposal Referred	Proposed Works	No. of Report Report Presented	Date Report Presented	Expenditure		Motion for Expediency Passed	Remarks
				Proposed when Referred to Committee	Recommended by Committee		
				\$m			
31.07.89	Housing developments by the Defence Housing Authority at Randwick, Holeworthy and East Hills, Sydney	21/1989	27.11.89	131.8	131.8	28.11.89	Recommended as proposed.
15.06.89	Stage 2 development, Commonwealth Government Centre, Townsville	22/1989	22.11.89	31.5	31.5	28.11.89	Recommended as proposed.
16.08.89	Fitsuit works at Box Hill and Moonee Ponds Victoria, Adelaide & Perth for Australian Taxation Office	23/1989	28.11.89	46.7	46.1	29.11.89	Recommended as proposed. Unsuccessful in consultation process.
06.09.89	Development of an additional domestic apron facility at Sydney (Kingsford- Smith) Airport	24/1989	28.11.89	9.6	9.6	30.11.89	Recommended as proposed.

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REPORTS PRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 1989
THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT

Date Proposal Referred	Proposed Works	No. of Report Report Presented	Date Report Presented	Expenditure		Motion for Expediency/Remarks
				Proposed when Referred to Committee	Recommended by Committee	
				\$m		
29.05.89	Sandfilling of International Terminal, Operational Passenger Station, Brisbane Airport	25/1989	28.11.89	44.0	44.0	30.11.89 Recommended as proposed. Brisbane Airport master plan should be re-examined before further runway developments are undertaken.
05.10.89	Refurbishment of Reserve Bank, West, Melbourne, Vic	26/1989	21.12.89	25.0	25.0	Recommended that the need for the proposed modifications to the ground floor facade be examined. The disabled toilets for the disabled should be considered.

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INFORMATION ON CURRENT POSITION OF PROPOSALS REPORTED ON BY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE IN THE PERIOD 1977-1988

AS AT DECEMBER 1989

- GENERAL NOTES:**
1. Details are provided for all projects reported on in the years 1985 to 1988 inclusive. For the period 1977 to 1984, only uncompleted projects or projects completed during 1989 are included.
 2. The estimated cost of proposals when referred to the Public Works Committee is based on prices current at the time the estimate was made. The date of the estimate was quoted to the Committee. In accordance with Department of Finance policy, no provision is made for the escalation of building costs.
 3. Costs are stated in \$ million, rounded to one decimal place.
 4. Approved value includes the effects of changes which have occurred to award wages and material prices and which have been approved by the appropriate authority, but do not attempt to forecast future movements. Also included are variations for changes in the scope of the work and variations arising during construction.
 5. The percentage completion shown for projects relates to physical progress.

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INFORMATION ON CURRENT POSITION OF PROPOSALS REPORTED ON BY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE IN THE PERIOD 1977-1988

AS AT DECEMBER 1989

Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Revised Estimate/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
<u>Reports tabled in 1988</u>						
Construction of Telephone Exchange at Charlotte St, Brisbane (1/88)	01/12/87	20.0	19.3	20.5	73% Completed.	May 1990
Development of Prisons Alfred Park in Sydney (2/88)	02/12/87	62.0	62.5	73.3	10% Completed.	September 1991
Upgrade Army air-base accommodation at various locations NSW, VIC, QLD, & WA.	12/02/88	57.6	45.9	65.215		June 1993
Redevelopment of the Commonwealth Centre in Melbourne (4/88)	11/02/88	143.0	186.0	-	Construction 15% Completed.	April 1992
Construction of Commonwealth Offices at Haymarket in Sydney (5/88)	30/03/88	118.0	159.0	164.0	Contract awarded on a fixed lump sum basis. Construction 15% complete	Early 1992
Construction of Radio/Orchestra Complex at Ultimo, Sydney (6/88)	29/03/88	87.9	91.6	88.6	On target for completion date and approved cost.	December 1990
Relocation of Albion Explosives Factory to Murrumbidgee (7/88)	04/05/88	78.4	87.3	-	28% Completed.	July 1992
Construction of the National Biological Standards Laboratory Synthesis Mt.	21.11.88	51.4	Progressive Commitment	62.4	Staged Construction, commenced June 1989	December 1992

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INFORMATION ON CURRENT POSITION OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED ON BY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE IN THE PERIOD 1977-1988

AS AT DECEMBER 1989

Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Tender Estimate/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
<u>Reports tabled in 1988 (cont'd)</u>		\$M	\$M	\$M		
Development of New Utility Helicopter Facilities Stage 2 at RAAF Base Townsville (8/88)	16/06/88	19.2	21.3	21.8	80% completed.	July 1990
Oakey Army Airfield (8/88)	16/06/88	5.0	6.5	6.7	55% completed.	June 1990
Redevelopment of 8605 Cronawarra (9/88), 12/07/88		25.2	19.3	-	Contract packages being progressively awarded to client funding limit. \$6.6M committed to date	June 1994
Development of RAAF Base, Tindal, Stage 2, Northern Territory (10/88)	14/07/88	34.9	Progressive Omitted	-	Split into 13 packages current funding (88/90) for 3 only (9.8m) on funding	Dependant on funding
Construction of Commonwealth Offices at Frankston, Victoria (11/88)	06/09/88	13.0	9.4		Construction 22% completed.	January 1991
Construction of Commonwealth Offices at Adelaide, Victoria (12/88)	07/09/88	10.0	9.8	-	Construction 22% completed.	January 1991
Construction of an additional International Terminal Building at Sydney Airport (13/88)	04/10/88, & 05/10/88	191.0	Progressive Omitted		3% Completed.	November 1992
Plot for the Eastern Regional Headquarters of the AFP at Sydney (14/88)	21/11/88	7.6	7.6	8.5	6% completed	July 1990

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INFORMATION ON CURRENT POSITION OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED ON BY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE IN THE PERIOD 1977-1988

AS AT DECEMBER 1989

Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Tender Estimate/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
<u>Reports tabled in 1987</u>		\$M	\$M	\$M		
Development of Migrant Accommodation Facilities at Wacol, Queensland (1/87)	11/12/86	6.5	-	-	Project not to proceed. Site sold. Not applicable	
Development of New Utility Helicopter Facilities at RAAF Base stage 1, Townsville (2/87)	09/12/86 10/12/86	19.3	17.0	17.8	98% completed.	February 1990
Construction of Department of Aviation Central Training College, ACT (Initial Report) (3/87)	27/04/87	11.2	-	-	Work not proceeded with.	Not applicable
Construction of Air Movements Camp Hangar at RAAF Base, Richmond, NSW (4/87)	08/04/87	10.3	10.6	8.8	Main contract awarded September 1988. Construction 75% complete.	December 1990
Development of New Utility Helicopter Facilities at RAAF Base, Townsville - Provision of 15 Married Quarters (Supplementary Report) (5/87)	04/06/87	1.4	1.3	1.5	Complete.	December 1989
Plot for Accommodation for the Department of Administrative Services, Chateau, NSW (6/87)	11/11/87	8.9	9.3	11.95	Complete.	September 1989

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AS AT DECEMBER 1989

Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Tender Estimate/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
<u>Reports tabled in 1986</u>						
Construction of a new telephone exchange Dalley Street, Sydney (1/86)	03/2/86	13.0	15.1	22.3	Construction 93% completed.	April 1989
Improvement of International Terminal Facilities, Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport (2/86)	04/2/86	20.0	22.6	46.6	Complete.	September 1989
Construction of State Hall Centre, 501 Williamstown Road, Port Melbourne (3/86)	22/4/86 26/5/86	10.8	18.9	14.5	Complete.	October 1988
Construction of a new Resource Management Centre, St Leonards, N.S.W. (4/86)	21/4/86	86.0	87.5	127.1	Construction 99% complete.	September 1989
Provision of 50 replacement houses at Monaera (5/86)	23/4/86	4.1	4.6	5.1	Complete.	September 1988
Refurbishment of Ruston Building, Brisbane (6/86)	01/7/86	7.2	7.3	11.6	Complete	December 1989

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AS AT DECEMBER 1989

Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Tender Estimate/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
<u>Reports tabled in 1986 (cont'd)</u>						
Construction of working accommodation and warehousing for 51st Supply Battalion, Gidford, W.A. (7/86)	24/7/86	8.2	7.3	8.9	Project complete.	September 1988
Redevelopment of the School of Military Engineering Canada, N.S.W. (8/86)	11/04/86 12/04/86	29.7	32.5	35.1	Construction commenced October 1988. 47% complete.	August 1992
Warehouse Development (Stage 1) for 2nd Supply Battalion Morebank, N.S.W. (9/86)	11/09/86 12/09/86	17.9	18.4	18.3	Construction commenced May 1988. 84% complete.	April 1990
1320v Submarine Development, East Tuggerahong, A.C.T. (10/86)	26/09/86	6.2	6.4	6.4	Construction commenced January 1987. 90% complete.	March 1990
Construction of a new wharf and seamen's school at HMAS Osborne, Crib Point, Vic. (11/86)	29/10/86	13.5	Progressive Commital	15.9	Complete.	April 1989
Development of HMAS Albatross, Nowra, N.S.W. Stage 1 (12/86)	24/10/86	19.2	Progressive Commital	21.9	Construction commenced March 1987. 95% complete.	April 1990

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INFORMATION ON CURRENT POSITION OF PROGRAMS REPORTED ON BY PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE IN THE PERIOD 1977-1988

AS AT DECEMBER 1989

Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Tender Estimate/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
<u>Reports tabled in 1985</u>						
Construction of New Commonwealth Offices, Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport (1/85)	23.10.85	7.6	7.1	8.0	Complete.	November 1988
Augmentation of Railway System, Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport (2/85)	24.10.84	16.4	Progressive Commital	10.1	Complete	January 1989
Development of Terminal Area, Townsville Airport (3/85)	24.04.85	14.7	15.8	16.6	Complete.	December 1987
Construction of New Telephone Exchange Building for Telecom Australia, Kent Street, Sydney (4/85)	30.04.85	27.6	27.8	39.5	Construction 95% complete.	March 1990
Construction of Facilities for the Australian Frigates Project, Williamstown Dockyard, Melbourne - Phase 5(5/85)	02.05.85	13.3	Progressive Commital	14.9	Complete.	March 1988
Construction of a Submarine Boats Training Facility, HMS Stirling, Garden Island, WA (6/85)	19.06.85	10.3	Progressive Commital	20.1	Complete.	April 1988

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AS AT DECEMBER 1989

Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Tender Estimate/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
<u>Reports tabled in 1985 (cont'd)</u>						
Laboratory Development at CSIRO Floreat Park Laboratories, Perth (7/85)	20.06.85	7.8	Commital in Stages	11.4	Complete.	December 1989
Construction of State Head Office building for Telecom Australia Sydney (8/85)	27.06.85	48.5	53.2	76.0	Construction 99% complete.	January 1990
Refurbishment of Commonwealth Centre and Associated Major Fibrot Parks, Melbourne (9/85)	11.07.85	18.4	Progressive Commital	18.3	Work not proceeded with.	Not applicable
Construction of a Commonwealth Law Courts Building, Paramatta (10/85)	08.08.85	15.5	18.5	24.2	Main contract let December 1986. Construction 83% complete.	July 1990
Restoration of Banks, General Post Office, Martin Place, Sydney (11/85)	01.10.85	17.0	Stage 1: 4.0 Stage 2 (pc 1-4): 14.6	23.0	Stage 1: Complete. Stage 2: 10% complete	May 1988 August 1991
Construction of Melbourne Mill Centre, Spencer and La Trobe Street, Melbourne (12/85)	31.09.85	16.3	17.7	23.1	Complete.	December 1988

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<u>Reports tabled in 1985 (cont'd)</u>		\$4	\$4	\$4		
Construction of New Ward Block and Outpatients Department, Repatriation General Hospital, Heidelberg, Victoria (13/85)	19.06.85	9.8	Progressive Commital	14.1	Complete.	January 1989
Fitout of Office Space at Canberra National Convention Centre, Canberra City, for Commonwealth use (14/85)	29.10.85	12.3	Progressive Commital	18.6	Complete.	February 1988
Telecom Australia, Construction of New Accommodation at Business Management Centre, Clayton, Victoria (15/85)	31.10.85	18.3	22.3	44.1	Complete.	February 1989
Construction of Canberra Nail Centre, Pyshwick (16/85)	22.11.85	7.5	7.6	8.6	Complete.	November 1987

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<u>Reports tabled in 1984</u>		\$4	\$4	\$4		
Reconstruction of Pyrotechnic section at the munitions filling factory, St Marys, New South Wales (5/84)	07.02.84	13.0	10.8	13.9	Complete.	March 1989
Redevelopment of Surgical and Diagnostic Facilities at Repatriation General Hospital, Concord, New South Wales. (10/84)	11.04.84	12.1	16.4	30.8	Construction 98% complete. (includes \$5.5m for prolongation claim payed last year.)	February 1990
Development of RAAF Base, Tindal, Northern Territory. (12/84)	20.23.03.84	167.0	Progressive Commital	250.4	Construction commenced September 1984. Work 98% complete.	December 1990
Construction of Commonwealth Family Court, Perth, Western Australia. (14/84)	20.06.84	28.5	52.5	68.3	Stage 1 Completed. Stage 2 Building package let November 1989	November 1989 June 1991
Construction of Commonwealth Government Centre, Currie Street, Adelaide, South Australia. (15/84)	04.07.84	38.0	40.4	59.4	Contract let 27/9/85 99.5% complete.	March 1990

NOTE: B: Tender price of \$40.4M excluded fitout work, then valued at \$4.5M. Also allows for \$0.65m fitout works handled as extension to works in lieu of separate program item. The building itself was officially opened in August 1987.

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Reports tabled in 1984 (cont'd)						
Construction of Australian Embassy Complex at Beijing, People's Republic of China. (17/84)	01.08.84	33.8	Progressive Commital	73.3	Chinese Construction Brigade has Dec - Feb 1991 commenced construction. Procurement management contract let February 1986 - 95% complete. Overall construction is 45% complete.	
130 KV Subtransmission Development, Nagasaki, Australian Capital Territory. (19/84)	08.10.84	6.9	9.7	9.7	Stage I : Completed September 1987. July 1988 Construction complete. Stage II: Contract let January 1990 January 1991	

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Reports tabled in 1983						
Carlen Island Modernisation Stage 2, Surface Preparation Facility and Oily Bilge Water Treatment Plant, New South Wales. (2/83)	16.06.83	5.8	-	-	Project no longer required	
RAF Base Williamson F/A-18 Harrier Facilities Development, New South Wales. (3/83 and 12/83)	21-22.06.83	90.7	88.3	94.1	Phase A Construction 98% Phase B Construction 99% Phase C and D continued 91% Complete.	June 1990 June 1989 June 1991
Construction of the Australia Telescope, New South Wales (5/83) (See Note B below)	05.09.83	30.7	Progressive Commital	49.5	All antenna and civil works complete. Construction and installation of electronic systems 70% complete. System testing underway with encouraging results.	December 1989
RAF Base Williamson Supplementary Report on Army Recruits Training School Relocation to HMAS Albatross, Nowra, New South Wales. (12/83)	-	7.3	Progressive Commital	6.5	Complete.	May 1989

NOTE B: Official opening held in September 1988.

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Project and number of report	Hearing Dates	Estimated Cost at Hearing	Tender Estimates/ Price	Final Cost or Approved Value	Current Position	Expected/Actual Completion Date
Projects tabled in 1982		\$M	\$M	\$M		
Construction of Facilities for a Tactical Fighter Squadron, RAAF Base, Darwin, Northern Territory. (3/82) (See Item C below)	04-05.03.82	9.6	-	-	Decision taken to proceed with Tindal RAAF Base. Work not proceeded with.	Not applicable
Development of RAAF Base, East Sale Victoria, Stage 1. (13/82)	25-10-82	15.5	Progressive Commital	26.1	Radar simulator buildings complete 50.7m. Phase A - Complete. Phase B - 90% Complete.	March 1990
Redevelopment of Port Quoracelliff, Quoracelliff, Victoria. (16/82)	03-11-82	8.3	Progressive Commital	9.6	Phase A (53.0m) complete. Phase B (85.0m) complete. Phase C (82.3m) 90% Complete	August 1985 March 1988 May 1990

NOTE C: This report recommended construction of all proposed works except the engine runup facility.

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Projects tabled in 1981		\$M	\$M	\$M		
Redevelopment of Australian Antarctic Bases. (3/81) (See Item D below)	18-19.03.81 4-05.05.81	35.1	Progressive Commital	71.9	Years 8 and 9 projects in progress.	1997/98
Carben Island, New South Wales, Remediation Stage 2. (7/81)	7-08.07.81	79.0	Progressive Commital	100.3	Phase A (\$42.0m) construction commenced December 1981. Phase B (\$43.7m) construction commenced Nov 1985. 85% complete. Phase C Integrated Weapons Workshop No. 3 - construction commenced April 1989 32% complete. Invited end January 1989. Construction of associated minor relocations works commenced April 1988. 85% complete.	June 1991 March 1991

NOTE D: \$35.1m was estimated cost of works to be provided under appropriation controlled by DNS (ACS). Total estimated cost when estimated by FMC was \$59.1m. Joint departmental review presented to Antarctic Rebuilding Program Steering Committee and to FMC recommending revised program of \$77.5m at October 1988 prices.

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<u>Reports tabled in 1980</u>		\$M	\$M	\$M		
Research Laboratory Complexes for CSIRO Divisions of Applied Organic Chemistry and Materials Science, Clayton, Victoria.	10-11.04.80	(8.8	10.6	10.3	Materials Science Laboratory - complete.	March 1989
(4/80) (See Note 2 below)		(10.2	12.0	14.6	Applied Organic Chemistry Laboratory March 1989 complete.	
Modernisation of Fleet Base and Dockyard, Garden Island, New South Wales, Stage 1. (9/80) (See Note 2 below)	29-30.07.80	33.2	Progressive Commital	63.4	To suit Defence operations, the project is proceeding in a series of interdependent packages involving some 50 or more contracts of which 4 are major building contracts. - 57% complete overall.	June 1990

NOTE B: The Two Laboratory Complexes (Materials Science and Applied Organic Chemistry) being constructed separately.

NOTE F: The cost increase is due to price inflation of uncommitted components since March 1980. See page B-13 for Stage 2 (Report 7/81).

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<u>Reports tabled in 1977</u>		\$M	\$M	\$M		
Development of the Military Area at RAAF Base, New South Wales. (5/77)	7-08.06.77	13.0	Progressive Commital	17.4	Complete.	June 1989

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