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TITLE ALLEGATION NO 7.

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MEMORANDUM RE MATTERS NUMBERED 4, 5, 3, 8, 9, 10, 12, 17, 19, 21, 22, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 41.

Matters Raised with Counsel Assisting but not Drawn as Specific Allegations in Precise Terms.

This memorandum deals with 21 matters which in the opinion of those assisting the Commission could not or, after investigation, did not give rise to a prima facie case of misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution. It is therefore proposed that these matters not be drawn as specific allegations in precise terms and that there be no further inquiry into them.

Matter No.4 - Sala

This matter involves an allegation that the Judge, whilst Attorney-General, wrongfully or improperly ordered the return to one Ramon Sala of a passport and his release from custody.

All the relevant Departmental files have been examined as also has been the official report of Mr A.C. Menzies.

The available evidence supports the conclusion of Mr Menzies that there was no evidence of any impropriety on the Judge's part. While it is true to say that there was room for disagreement about the directions given by the Judge and that the Australian Federal Police objected to the course taken, the action by the Judge could not constitute misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution. We recommend that the matter be taken no further.

Matter No.5 - Saffron surveillance

This matter consisted of an allegation that the Judge, whilst Attorney-General and Minister for Customs and Excise, directed that Customs surveillance of Mr A.G. Saffron be downgraded. The gravamen of the complaint was that the Judge had exercised his Ministerial powers for an improper purpose.

This matter was the subject of a <u>Report of Permanent Heads on</u>

<u>Allegations in the National Times of 10 August 1984</u>. That

Report pointed out, as an examination of the files of the relevant agencies confirms to be the case, that apart from one document entitled "Note for File" prepared by a Sergeant Martin

on 30 January 1975 there was no record of any Ministerial direction or involvement in the matter. That note for file attributed to a Kevin Wilson the statement that the A-G had directed that Saffron was not to receive a baggage search. When interviewed by the Permanent Heads Committee, Mr Wilson all his said that in dealings with the he believed that the direction came from the Comptroller-General. The conclusions of the Report Permanent Heads appear at paras 45 and 46. Those conclusions were that the decision to reduce the Customs surveillance of Saffron to providing advice and travel details was reasonable and appropriate and that it was more probable than not that the decision to vary the surveillance of Saffron was made by the then Comptroller-General. This, it was concluded, did not rule out the possibility that the Minister spoke Comptroller-General who may have reflected the Minister's views when speaking to a Mr O'Connor, the officer in the Department who passed on the directions to the police.

It is recommended that the Commission proceed in accordance with Section 5(3) of the <u>Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry Act</u> and, having regard to the conclusions of the <u>Permanent Heads Inquiry</u>, take the matter no further.

Matter No.7 - Ethiopian Airlines

This matter was the subject of questions in the Senate in late 1974 and 1975. The contention was that the Judge, whilst Attorney-General, behaved improperly by accepting free or discounted overseas air travel as a result of his wife's employment with Ethiopian Airlines. Investigation revealed nothing improper in the appointment of Mrs. Murphy as a public relations consultant nor in the fact that in lieu of salary she acquired and exercised entitlements to free or discounted travel for herself and her family.

Whatever view one may take as to the propriety of a law officer accepting free or discounted travel in the circumstances set out above, the facts disclosed could not, in our view, amount to misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution and accordingly we recommend the matter be taken no further.

Matters No.8 and 30 Mrs Murphy's diamond; Quartermaine - Moll tax evasion.

These matters were the subject, in late 1984, of questions in

the Senate. It was alleged that the Judge had been involved, at some stage during or prior to 1979, in a tax avoidance scheme in Western Australia involving one Christo Moll, Murray Quartermaine and others and that Mrs Murphy had either purchased or been given a diamond by Moll.

Material was provided to the Commission in support of these claims and consisted of two diamond valuation certificates, a cheque butt of Moll's with the name Mrs L Murphy and a letter dated 18 June 1979 allegedly written by a Dr Tiller, one of the participants in the scheme, to Quartermaine, implicating the Judge in their activities.

These matters were investigated by the Commission and those investigations confirmed the conclusion to which the Australian Federal Police had earlier come that the documentation provided in relation to the alleged diamond was unreliable and in all likelihood false and that the letter from Dr Tiller was probably false and possibly written by Moll to discredit Quartermaine.

In the light of these circumstances it is in our view impossible to conclude that there is any prima facie evidence

of misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution and we recommend that the matters be taken no further.

Matter No.9 - Soviet espionage

Two individuals jointly made the claim that the Judge was a Soviet spy and a member of a Soviet spy ring operating in Canberra. This allegation was supported by no evidence whatever and rested in mere assertion of a purely speculative kind.

We recommend that the Commission should make no inquiry into this matter.

Matter No.10 - Stephen Bazley

Information was given to those assisting the Commission that Stephen Bazley had alleged criminal conduct on the part of the Judge. The allegation was made in a taped interview with a member of the Australian Federal Police and was that the Judge wanted Bazley to "knock out" George Freeman. Bazley said that the request had been passed on to him by a named barrister on an occasion when, according to Bazley, he and the barrister went to the Judge's home in Sydney.

The New South Wales Police had investigated this allegation in 1985 and the staff of the Commission was given access to the relevant New South Wales Police records.

records showed that the conclusion of the police investigation was that the allegation was complete fabrication' and that further enquiries would be a 'complete waste of time'. These conclusions were based on Bazley's lack of credibility, his refusal to assist the New South Wales Police in their inquiry into this allegation, his refusal to adopt the statement he had made to the Australian Federal Police and the clear and comprehensive denial by the barrister in a signed statement that he had or would have spoken to Bazley in the terms alleged. Indeed the barrister said that he had met Bazley only twice, once when he had acted for him and once when Bazley had approached him in public and the barrister had walked away.

There being no material which might amount to prima facie evidence of misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution we recommend the matter be taken no further.

Matter No.12 - Illegal immigration

It was alleged that the Judge had been involved in an organisation for the illegal immigration into Australia of Filipinos and Koreans. It was not made clear in the allegation whether the conduct was said to have taken place before or after the Judge's appointment to the High Court. No evidence was provided in support of the allegation.

Those assisting the Commission asked the Department of Immigration for all its files relevant to the allegation. Examination of the files provided to the Commission revealed nothing to support the allegation; neither did inquiries made of the New South Wales Police which had made some investigations into the question of the involvement of Ryan or Saffron in such a scheme.

There being no material which might amount to prima facie evidence of misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution we recommend the matter be taken no further.

Matter No.17 - Non-disclosure of dinner party

This matter involved an assertion that the Judge should have come forward to reveal the fact that he had been present at a dinner attended by Messrs Ryan, Farquhar and Wood once it was alleged that there was a conspiracy between Ryan, Farquhar and Wood. It was not suggested that what occurred at the dinner was connected with the alleged conspiracy; neither was there evidence of a public denial by any of Messrs Ryan, Farquhar and Wood of the fact that they knew each other.

In the absence of such suggestion or denial there would be no impropriety in the Judge not coming forward to disclose the knowledge that he had of such an association. The absence of action by the Judge could not constitute misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 and we recommend that the Commission should do no more than note that the claim was made.

Matter No.19 - Paris Theatre reference, Matter No.21 - Lusher reference, Matter No.22 - Pinball machines reference

These matters came to the notice of the Commission by way of

the so-called Age Tapes transcripts (Volume TlA, p.22 - 20 March 1979, Volume TlB, pps. 107-108, 7 February 1980). On the hypothesis that the transcripts could be proved, there were several conversations between the Judge and Morgan Ryan which included observations by the Judge first, that there was something in the newspaper about the Paris Theatre and that Ryan should know "what's bloody well on"; second, a conversation in which a discussion occurs about "every little breeze" and "the Lush or is it going to be the three board of ..."; and, third, a conversation where Ryan asked the Judge not to forget those "pinball machines ... ".

These three matters, to the extent they suggest a continuing and close relationship between the Judge and Ryan are covered by Allegation No.40.

These conversations could also lead to the inference that the Judge was involved in various kinds of sinister activities with Ryan. However, since they consist only of cryptic references not capable of investigation as allegations of substance, it is recommended that, except as part of Allegation No.40, these matters should merely be noted by the Commission but not investigated further.

Matter No.28 - Statement after trial

This matter was referred to in the House of Representatives (see pages 3447-8 of House of Representatives Hansard of 8 May 1986).

It was suggested that the Judge's comments, made immediately after his acquittal, that the trial was politically motivated constituted misbehaviour.

We submit that the conduct alleged could not on any view constitute misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution and that the Commission should merely note that the matter was brought to its attention.

Matter No.29 - Stewart letter

This matter was referred to in the House of Representatives (see p. 3448 of the House of Representatives Hansard of 8 May 1986).

Mr. Justice Stewart, in the course of the Royal Commission of

Inquiry into Alleged Telephone Interceptions, sent a letter to the Judge which contained seven questions. The letter was sent to the Judge in March 1986 shortly before the Judge was due to be re-tried. It was suggested that the Judge's failure to respond to that letter constituted misbehaviour.

The view has been expressed (Shetreet, <u>Judges on Trial</u>, p 371) that the invocation by a judge of the right to remain silent "was an indication that his conscience was not clear and he had something to conceal. Such a judge could not properly continue to perform his judicial functions without a cloud of suspicion." Nevertheless, we submit that in the particular circumstances of this case the conduct alleged did not constitute misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution and that the Commission should merely note that the matter was brought to its attention.

Matter No.31 - Public Housing for Miss Morosi

It was alleged that in 1974 the Judge requested the Minister for the Capital Territory to arrange for Miss Morosi to be given priority in the provision of public housing. We submit that the conduct alleged could not on any view constitute misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution and that the Commission should merely note that the matter was brought to its attention.

Matter No.32 - Connor view of the Briese matter

(See attached memorandum of M. Weinberg and A. Robertson dated 16 July 1986).

Matter No.34 - Wood shares

This matter consisted of an allegation that in the late 1960s the Judge, whilst a Senator, was given a large parcel of shares by another Senator, Senator Wood. The inference the Commission was asked to draw was that there was something improper in the transaction.

The allegation was supported by no evidence whatever. As the former Senator who allegedly gave the Judge the shares is now dead and the shares cannot be identified, we recommend that the Commission should do no more than note that the claim was made.

Matter No.35 - Soliciting a bribe

It was alleged that in 1972 or 1973 the Judge, whilst Minister for Customs and Excise, solicited a bribe from Trevor Reginald Williams. Williams was at the time involved in defending a customs prosecution and he asserted that the Judge offered to "fix up" the charges in return for the payment of \$2000.00.

Williams was interviewed but the facts as related by him did not, in the view of those assisting the Commission, provide any evidence to support the claim.

There being no material which might amount to prima facie evidence of misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution we recommend the matter be taken no further.

Matter No.37 - Direction concerning importation of pornography

There were two allegations concerning the same conduct of the Judge whilst he was Attorney-General and Minister for Customs and Excise.

The allegations were that in 1973 the Judge had issued a direction that Regulation 4A of the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations, as they then stood, should be ignored with the result that pornography was imported without any written permission and thereby contrary to the regulations.

Investigations showed that the direction emanated from a meeting in June 1973 between the then Senator Murphy and senior officials of his Departments, the Attorney-General's Department and the Department of Customs and Excise. The direction given was under the hand of a G E Sheen for the Comptroller-General and was in terms that "customs resources engaged in screening imported goods should be primarily concerned with the detection of prohibited imports other than material which offends Regulation 4A ... For the time being there are to be no prosecutions under the Customs Act for offences involving pornography."

The direction resulted from the Attorney-General agreeing with proposals in a departmental paper on censorship policy. At that time it was proposed by the Government that the regulations be amended to correspond with Government policy.

It was noted in the Minutes of the meeting in June 1973 that the Attorney-General agreed that it would be necessary to compromise in the implementation of policy in order to meet the requirements of the current law.

The direction was continued until the amendments to the legislation were made in February 1984.

We submit that there is no conduct disclosed which could amount to misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution. We recommend that the matter be taken no further.

Matter No.38 - Dissenting judgments

A citizen alleged that the Judge through "continued persistence in dissenting for whatever reason, can engender towards him such disrespect as to rank his performance to be that of proved misbehaviour".

We submit that the conduct alleged could not on any view constitute misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution and that the Commission make no inquiry into this matter.

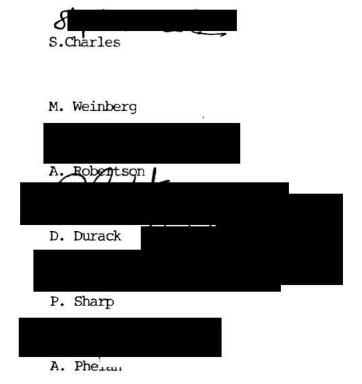
Matter No.41 - Comment of Judge concerning Chamberlain committal

In answer to questions put to him in cross-examination during the Judge's second trial, Mr Briese SM gave evidence that the Judge had commented on the Chamberlain case. The context of the comment was that a second coroner had, that day or recently, decided to commit Mr and Mrs Chamberlain for trial on charges relating to the death of their daughter. The Judge's remark was to the effect that the decision by the Coroner was astonishing.

It was suggested that this conduct by the Judge might amount to misbehaviour in that it was a comment upon a matter which might, as it did, come before the Judge in his judicial capacity: it was therefore, so it was said, improper for the Judge to make known to Mr Briese his view of the decision to commit for trial.

We submit that the Chamberlain case was a matter of general notoriety and discussion, that the Judge's comments were very

general in their terms and that therefore the Judge's conduct could not amount to misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72. We recommend that the matter be taken no further.



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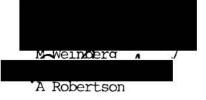
MEMORANDUM RE ALLEGATION NO 32

We have been invited to draft an allegation based upon the views of Mr Xavier Connor in his report to the second Senate Committee in 1984. In that report, Mr Connor suggested that even if it could not be shown that the Judge intended that Briese approach Jones with a view to inducing Jones to act otherwise than in accordance with his duty, the mere act of inviting Briese to make enquiry of Jones as to how the case against Morgan Ryan was progressing might amount to misbehavour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution. The difficulty which we have in drafting an allegation along those lines arises from Section 5 (4) of the Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry Act 1986. That sub section provides the Commission shall not consider —

the issues dealt with in the trials leading to the acquittal of the Honourable Lionel Keith Murphy of certain criminal charges on 5 July 1985 and 28 April 1986 and, in particular, the issue of the Honourable Lionel Keith Murphy's guilt or innocence of those charges; or

whether the conduct to which those charges related was such as to constitute proved misbehaviour within the meaning of Section 72 of the Constitution except to the extent that the Commission considers necessary for the proper examination of other issues arising in the course of the Commission's inquiry.

It is plain that there is a difference between the version given by Briese of the relevant conversation and that given by That difference was fully explored during the the Judge. course of the Judge's trials. It is impossible to know whether the jury which acquitted the Judge at his second trial did so merely because they were not satisfied that he had the requisite intent to pervert the course of justice, or because not satisfied that Briese's version On any view the content of that conversation was correct. conversation is central to the charge as laid against the Judge and ultimately disposed of by his acquittal. It seems to us that to raise this matter as a specific allegation in precise terms is to breach Section 5 (4) in that the matter in question is "an issue dealt with in the trial leading to the acquittal" of the Judge in the relevant sense, and to consider it would be to consider "whether the conduct to which those charges related" was misbehaviour. We consider that the Commission is not empowered to consider the Connor view of the Briese matter except to the extent that it considers it necessary to do so for the proper examination of other issues arising in the course of the inquiry. We recommend that Allegation No 32 not proceed.



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Documents received from Senior Constable S. Hill, CID, AFP, Canberra on 4 July 1986

- b. Photocopy NSW Police documents (Lowe/Shaw: attempt to influence Lewington).

<u>Documents received from Detective Acting Sergeant B. Knibbs,</u>
NCIB, Canberra, on 22 July 1986

- c. Age Tape Enquiry:
 - (i) Original Running Sheets
 - (ii) Working File Volume 1
- d. Korean Immigration Enquiry:
 - (i) Volume 1
- e. Rodney Groux Enquiry:
 - (i) Original Running Sheets
 - (ii) Volume 1 Original Statements
 - (iii) Volume 2 " "
 - (iv) Volume 1 Original Documents
 - (v) Volume 2 " "
 - (vi)..Volume 3 "
 - (vii) Briefing Papers, Reports, Correspondence

Documents received from Superintendent F.C. Pimm, Commander Western Region, AFP. Perth on 24 July 1986

- √f. File marked "Moll Commodities Brief 1"
- ✓g. Lever Arch Folder marked "Moll Commodities Brief 2"
- √h. Situation Report by Det. Sen. Sgt. C. Netto (Quartermaine — Operation Edam)

- Report of Independent Acountants Assisting Investigation (Operation Edam)
- . Braithwaite Report
- K. Brief of Evidence Moll: Conspiracy to Defraud
- 7. File marked "Marshall-Wilson" containing various loose documents.
- m. File containing correspondence, reports relevant to Murphy J. enquiries/operation Edam.

Document received from Detective Chief Inspector A. Wells, Sydney.

Lever Arch Folder containing documents relevant to the Groux Enquiry. RE: ALLEGATION NO. 7 - FREE OR DISCOUNTED AIR TRAVEL

The purpose of this minute is to set out the results of the enquiries made in relation to the abovementioned allegation and to recommend, for reasons set out below, that the matter not be further pursued.

The Allegation

This allegation was raised by Wilson and Folley (ex Journalists of The Age newspaper). It is contended that Justice Murphy may have behaved improperly by accepting free or discounted overseas air travel as a result of Mrs Murphy's appointment by David Ditchburn as Public Relations Consultant for Ethiopian Airlines. Justice Murphy (then Attorney-General) appointed Mr Ditchburn to the Film Board of Review and Mrs Ditchburn (Juni Morosi) as a Civil Marriage Celebrant.

Questions were asked in the Senate in late 1974 and in 1975, concerning the appointment of Ditchburn and in particular, datails were sought of any benefits Senator Murphy may have received from Ethiopian Airlines. On 8 April 1975 (in the Senate) Senator Greenwood asked the following questions;

- '(1) Did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, and Mrs Murphy travel overseas during December 1973 January 74; if so where
 - (2) Were the air tickets, for such flight issued by Pan American Airways at the request of Ethiopian Airways for their employee, Mrs Murphy.
 - (3) Were such tickets issued at a concessional fare rate; if so what was the concession.
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In that same session Senator James McClelland responded as follows;

- " (1) The former Attorney-General and Mrs Murphy made a visit overseas in January 1974
 - (2) (3) and (4) The visit was a private one. See the answer given to the honourable Senator on 11 December 1974 (Hansard page 3362)"

The answer given earlier by Senator Murphy in the Senate on 11 December 1974 (Hansard page 3362) was;

"I can inform the honourable gentleman that I am under no obligation to Ethiopian Airways. I am unable to inform the honourable gentleman about the activities of the Ethiopian Airways in Australia and even if I were, that matter is not within my ministerial portfilio. As to any affairs of my wife, I do not intend in this chamber to enter into any matters relating to my wife. I do not think the Senate would expect me to do so and I do not intend to do so."

(Copies of the relevant Hansard extracts appear at Attachment A).

Enquiries Undertaken

During the course of my investigation I spoke with the following;

- (i) Marshall Wilson and Stephen Foley (ex Age Journalists)
- (ii) Mrs McKenzie (nee Quartermaine) (ex representative for Western Australia of Ethiopian Airlines)
- (iii) Mr Jackray (Australian Representative for the International Air Transport Association (IATA))
- (iv) Mr K. Bushby (Marketing Distribution Manager of Qantas). Mr Bushby's duties include responsiblity within Qantas for the administration of the relevant IATA resolution dealing with free and discounted air travel.

Information Obtained

Marshall Wilson and Stephen Foley held discussions with Commission staff on Sunday 6 July, 1986 and discussed inter alia the subject of free or discounted air travel by Justice Murphy and Mrs Murphy. Marshall Wilson produced copies of what seem to be tickets issued to Senator and Mrs Murphy. These copies show a House of Representative stamp dated 23 October, 1975 and it would appear that they were tabled in the House on that date.

There are copies of apparently two tickets for Senator Murphy and two for his wife. They do not show a date of travel, the tickets being "open". However the tickets show "use by" dates, one set being 23 March, 1972 and the other 7 March, 1974.

The information on the photocopy of the tickets expiring 23 March, 1972 show that they were issued on the following basis;

- 1. free of charge
- 2. first class on Pan Am
- 3. standby
- 4. for an employee of Ethiopian Airways (Mrs Murphy) and for a "dependant" of an Ethiopian Airways employee (Senator Murphy)
- 5. travel as follows:-
 - Sydney
 - . Honolulo
 - . Los Angeles
 - . New York
 - London
 - . New York
 - Lagos

- New York
- . Los Angeles
- . Honolulu
- Sydney

In relation to the second set of tickets (expiring 7 March, 1974 items 1. to 4. also apply. However the destinations shown are the following:-

- Sydney
- . Honolulu
- . Los Angeles
- London
- . New York
- Los Angeles
- Sydney

(Copies of these tickets appear at Attachment B).

I discussed with Mr Bushby the matter of entitlements to free and discounted travel, and he provided me with a copy of the relevant IATA Resolution (No. 788 Attachment C).

The Resolution states, inter alia, that an IATA member airline may issue free or discounted tickets over its own lines or of another IATA member airline (if that member airline agrees) for;

- "2 (a) an employee or officer of an air carrier or a member of such persons immediate family
- employee of an 'air carrier' means either any person employed by an air carrier on a full time basis, including 30 days thereafter, or any person employed by an air carrier on a part-time basis, who receives no other income on account of any service from a person other than the air carrier."

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(d) 'immediate family' means a spouse, children, parents, brothers, sisters, dependent relatives or dependents in the household."

(Dependents in the household are defined to include household servants, Medical Assistants etc. While the tickets which seem to have been issued to Senator Murphy refer to Dependent, it is clear that the more appropriate category would be spouse).

Mr Bushby said that the Resolution by no means creates an obligation on IATA member airlines to provide free or discounted travel to those who seek it. He said each airline is free to make its own commercial judgement concerning the provision of free or discounted travel to employees of other airlines.

Mr Bushby said that the procedure for the issue of the free tickets to Mrs Murphy and Senator Murphy would have been for Mr Ditchburn (who was at that time generally accepted by international airlines as а bona fide representative Ethiopian Airways) to write to an airline (in this case Pan Am) requesting free tickets for one of their employees (Mrs Murphy) and her spouse. The Airline would then satisfy itself as to the bona fides of the request and if it felt it appropriate, issue the tickets.

Bushby said that when Ditchburn was appointed the Australian Representative for Ethiopian Airlines it was considered in the industry to be quite unusual. However, the airlines seem to have recognised his position and the entitlement of Mrs Murphy (as Public Relations Officer) to free travel. Also Qantas on more than one occasion issued tickets for free travel to Mrs McKenzie (nee Quartermaine) and her direct family (husband and son). As mentined earlier, Mrs Quartermaine was appointed by Ditchburn as the Western Australian representative of Ethiopian Airways.

Mr Bushby said there are currently a number of international airlines (like Ethiopian Airways) which do not fly into this country but who have appointed local representatives to promote

the interests of the airlines. Two examples given by Mr Bushby were Air Madagascar which has no office in Australia and the nominated representative appears from the information available to be a member of that country's Consular staff. Air Mauritius has no local office and the representative appears to work from a private address. He said however, that if Qantas were to receive requests for free tickets for these representatives and their families the requests would most likely be granted.

I asked Mr Bushby whether he could recall the role Mrs Murphy may have played at that time as Public Relations Officer. He said that he could recall that on occasions Mrs Murphy was mentioned in the social pages of local newspapers as attending functions as a representative of Ethiopian Airways.

Mrs McKenzie when asked about her arrangement with Ethiopian Airways, said that it was not a full time job and while she was paid for the first few months, her sole reward became free air travel which she and her family used regularly. Mrs McKenzie said she worked hard at promoting the airline and regularly held lunches and other functions on behalf of the Airline. She also took groups of travel agents to Ethiopia to familiarise them with the country and the available tourist facilities. Mrs McKenzie no longer represents Ethiopian Airways since her appointment was cancelled approximately 4 years ago. Ditchburn, of course also severed his relationship with the Airline some years ago.

Conclusion

Based on the information and documents provided by the abovementioned sources it seems reasonably clear that;

1. Ditchburn, as the Regional Manager of Ethiopian Airways appointed Mrs Murphy in about 1971 as the airline's Public Relations Officer (and another as W.A. Representative of the airlines).

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- In (at least) 1972 and 1974 Mrs Murphy and then Senator 2. Murphy went on overseas trips free of charge on Pan Am on the basis of Mrs Murphy's employment with Ethiopian Airlines.
- 3. 1974 Senator Murphy (then Attorney-General) appointed Ditchburn to the Film Board of Review and in about the same year appointed Juni Morosi as a Civil 🗸 Marriage Celebrant (Mrs McKenzie (nee Quartermaine) the W.A. Representative of Ethiopian Airways was also appointed a Civil Marriage Celebrant in the same year).

However, while it is clear these events occurred, it is by no means clear that any appointment or reward was bestowed particular persons by the then Attorney-General in response to $\mathscr O$ any favour or reward he or his wife may have received from those parties.

In respect of the appointment of Mrs Murphy Relations Consultant for the airline, she did at least occasions functions attend presenting herself as representative of Ethiopian Airways and assisted, albeit in a modest way, in the promotion of the airline. Further, it should be remembered that as the wife of a particularly prominent political person at that time, she would have been in a position to achieve good coverage for the airline at the numerous functions she no doubt attended. Also, on the basis of the information provided by Mr Bushby of Qantas there seems to be a clear entitlement to free travel for Mrs Murphy and her spouse in accordance with IATA Resolution 788 (Attachment C). event Pan Am in issuing the tickets seemed satisfied that the entitlement existed for the people conerned.

In relation to the appointment of Ditchburn to the Film Board of Review, this matter, including Mr Ditchburn's qualifications for position was canvassed in the Senate at that time (Attachment A refers).

Senator Murphy in the Senate on 5 December, 1974 said inter alia in response to questions;

"...there is a very low payment associated appointment and the man concerned indicated writing at the time that he did not want the payment associated with the position."

Again in relation to the appointment of Juni Morosi as a Civil Marriage Celebrant in 1974, there is nothing to suggest that this appointment was made in response for earlier favours (ie. free travel courtesy of the Ethiopian Airways connection).

While the appointment of Mrs Murphy as a Public Relations Consultant may have been done as a favour there also appear to be some commercial sense in such an appointment. As mentioned earlier there seems to be no doubt as to Mrs and Senator Murphy's entitlement to free travel and there is nothing in the material to suggest that the apparently modest benefits which Ditchburn and Morosi later received were in response to Mrs Murphy's appointment with Ethiopian Airways.

Recommendation

Accordingly it is recommended, on the basis of the foregoing that this matter not be persued further.



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Petitions

5 December 1974 SENATE

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Thursday, 5 December 1974

The DEPUTY PRESIDENT (Senator J. J. Webster) took the chair at 10.30 a.m., and read

PETITIONS

Academic Salaries

Senator MULVIHILL—I present the following petition from 26 lecturers of New South Wales Colleges of Advanced Education:

To the Honourable the President and Senators of the Upper House in Parliament assembled: The Petition of certain Icc-turers of New South Wales Colleges of Advanced Education respectfully showeth:

That we strongly urge the acceptance of recommendations on academic salaries, to be announced by Mr Justice Campbell.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

Petition received and read.

The Clerk—The following petitions have been lodged for presentation.

Taxation: Education Expenses

To the Honourable the President and Members of the Senate in Parliament assembled. The humble petition of the undersigned citizens of the Commonwealth respectfully showeth:

Whereas the Treasurer of the Australian Government has proposed that the concessional deduction for education expenses be reduced from \$400 to \$150.

We, the undersigned, humbly petition the Senate to return any legislation which could give effect to such a proposal to the House of Representatives and request that the concessional deduction for education expenses be restored to \$400 for each child attending an approved school or college,

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

by Senator GUILFOYLE.

Petition received.

Family Law Bill

To the Honourable the President and Members of the Senate in Parliament assembled. We, the undersigned Citizens of the Commonwealth, by this our humble Petition respectfully showeth:

- (a) That the inclusion in Sub-section 54(2) of the Family Law Bill of the Clause recommended in paragraph 67 (f) (2) of the Report of the Senate Standing Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs, which will allow 'any fact or circumstance' to be taken into account when considering maintenance, completely alters the whole concept of specific guidelines as now set out in Section 54, and we oppose it.
- (b) That the removal of the word 'exceptional' in Subsection 92 (2) of the new Family Law Bill will result in a high level of bitter and costly litigation in ancillary matters, which the proposed sharing of costs with legal aid available, would otherwise minimise.
- (c) That Judicial discretion which allows fault in Property Settlement, the usual accusations necessitating defence in custody and access matters, as well as (a) and (b) above, will

result in very much the same litigation in ancillary matters as under the present iniquitous Matrimonial Causes Act.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

by Senator GUILFOYLE.

Petition received.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

WR DAVID DITCHWEN

Senator WITHERS—My question is directed to the Attorney-General. I ask: Has the Attorney-General appointed Mr David Ditchburn to the Films Board of Review? Further, is Mr David Ditchburn the husband of Junie Morosi, a former assistant to Mr Grassby and now a member of Dr Cairn's staff, for whom the Attorney-General attempted to obtain a low rental government flat in Canberra?

Senator MURPHY—The answer to the first question is yes. The answer to the second question is yes, Mr Ditchburn is the husband of Miss Morosi. As to the suggestion about low cost rental accommodation, I am informed by Mr Bryant that the accommodation that was sought is not low cost. May I say that Mr Ditchburn is qualified for the appointment. I have not heard the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate say that he is not.

Senator Withers-I have not said that.

Senator MURPHY-I heard him ask some questions yesterday.

Senator Withers—Perhaps you could give us his qualifications.

Senator MURPHY-If the Leader of the Opposition wants his qualifications he can ask for them. Mr Ditchburn is a mature person with extensive experience in commerce and industry. He is familiar with community standards here and overseas and, in my opinion, was eminently suitable for appointment to that position. As I recall it, the other persons on the Films Board of Review include a chairman who has been there for a very long time and who was connected with the film industry. One of my predecessors-I think it was Mr Chipp-appointed a long distance runner to the Board of Review. While long distance running may not seem terribly closely connected with films, persons from the community who are not film makers are needed there. Another person from the television industry was appointed to the Board by one of my predecessors.

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I proposed the appointment of Professor Hammer, a psychologist, and Dr Middleton, another psychologist. I knew Mr Ditchburn and knew his outlook and in my view he was qualified to be appointed. If the Leader of the Opposition wants to say that Mr Ditchburn was not competent to be appointed, that there is anything wrong with the appointment apart from his being married to a particular person, let him say so. There is a very low payment associated with the appointment and the man concerned indicated to me in writing at the time that he did not want the payment associated with the position. If the Leader of the Opposition wants to engage in these other matters, if he wants to question the competence or qualifications of Miss Morosi, let him do so. In all that he said yesterday outside this chamber, he did not say that she was not qualified and not competent to do the things she was appointed to do in the sphere of my portfolio.

AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING COMMISSION DISMISSALS

Senator POYSER—Has the Minister for the Media seen Press reports that 70 production staff employed by the Australian Broadcasting Commission in Sydney and Melbourne face the sack? Can the Minister outline the position of these workers and the future they face? Is there any possibility of their positions being safeguarded?

Senator DOUGLAS McCLELLAND-I saw the report to which the honourable senator has referred. The production staff mentioned were casuals who were employed by the Australian Broadcasting Commission for specific projects. In Melbourne they were engaged on set production and matters of that nature for the very highly successful ABC television production 'Rush', filming of which has now finished. It has been shown on the ABC. The staff was told at the time they started that they would be employed only for the purpose of that series. As the honourable senator would know, the Australian Government provided the ABC with additional finance to enable it to go into that sort of television production. The 20 Sydney staff were employed as casuals to build a village at Belrose in Sydney for the production of a television series on the life of the Australian bushranger Ben Hall. That is a co-production arrangement entered into by the ABC and the British Broadcasting Corporation. Work has finished on that set production but the workers will be kept in mind for any future employment.

ACCUMMODATION FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE

Senator GREENWOOD—My question to the Attorney-General refers to his letter of 8 November, about which he was asked a question yesterday, in which he asked Mr Bryant to exercise his ministerial authority to give Miss Morosi a Government flat. Did the Attorney-General receive any acknowledgment, either in writing or verbally, from Mr Bryant as to what Mr Bryant had done? If so, what was that acknowledgment? Was Miss Morosi in fact offered a Government flat? Did she in fact sign a lease for a flat?

Senator MURPHY-Yes, of course I received an acknowledgment from Mr Bryant. Mr Bryant spoke to me about it. I told the Senate yesterday that Mr Bryant asked me to send a letter. I have seen something in the newspapers saying that I sent a letter in support of some letter by Mr Grassby, and that I had stated that in this chamber. I had not said any such thing and as far as I know Mr Grassby did not send any such letter. Mr Bryant asked me to send a letter. As I have indicated, I sent the letter and he spoke to me afterwards and said he was looking into the matter. I spoke to him yesterday about what happened and he said that in fact Miss Morosi had not been given a flat. I notice there is a question by the honorable senator on the notice paper about a lease. I am afraid I know nothing about that. I assume that as she had not been given a flat she would hardly have signed a lease. I will have that looked into.

CHILDREN'S TELEVISION

Senator MELZER—I ask the Minister for the Media whether his attention has been drawn to the report of the Children's Television Action Committee to the effect that television stations in Australia are screening cartoons which have been either banned in the United States or carry a warning to parents. Can the Minister inform the Senate of steps taken to ensure that Australian children see the very best that television has to offer? Has his department contemplated instituting procedures such as prefacing certain films with a warning to parents?

Senator DOUGLAS McCLELLAND—I have seen the report to which the honourable senator refers. The Australian Children's Television Action Committee was formed to promote and agitate for better children's programs on television. The honourable senator will appreciate that in this chamber this week there was a debate concerning amendments which the Government was seeking to the Broadcasting and Television

ETHIOPIAN AIRWAYS

Senator GREENWOOD-I ask the Attorney-General: In view of his recent actions in favour of Junie Morosi, his appointment of her husband Mr Ditchburn, who holds a regional position for Ethiopian Airways, to the Film Board of Review and Mrs Murphy's continued engagement by Ethiopian Airways, does the Attorney-General consider himself under any sense of obligation to Ethiopian Airways? Will he inform the Senate of any benefits received by him and his wife from Ethiopian Airways by way of free or concessional world travel or in other ways? Further, is he able to inform the Senate what business Ethiopian Airways carries on in Australia or is it merely a front for other, and if so what, activities?

Senator MURPHY—I can inform the honourable gentleman that I am under no obligation to Ethiopian Airways. I am unable to inform the honourable gentleman about the activities of Ethiopian Airways in Australia, and even if I were, that matter is not within my ministerial portfolio. As to any affairs of my wife, I do not intend in this chamber to enter into any matters relating to my wife. I do not think the Senate would expect me to do so and I do not intend to do so.

RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Senator McAULIFFE—Has the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs seen an article in the 'Sydney Morning Herald' last Saturday to the effect that descendants of Pacific islanders brought to Australia as slave labour last century are planning an appeal to the United Nations against what they allege is racial discrimination by Federal and State governments in Australia? Will the Minister advise the Senate of the position in Australia with respect of Pacific islanders? Does he agree with those persons quoted in the article last Saturday that the Government is acting in a discriminatory manner against them?

Senator CAVANAGH—Yes, I saw the article. I do not agree that the Government is acting in a discriminatory way against that ethnic group. I think the Constitution permits the making of special laws for any race of people other than normal Australians. Therefore I think the Government would be capable of making special laws for Pacific islanders or their descendants. However, my portfolio of Aboriginal Affairs is under Government direction. We have given a wide interpretation to Aboriginal affairs but that is the extent to which my portfolio goes and the extent to which my Department is able to help. Some people have applied for special assistance

as Aborigines but they have had to be rejected, of necessity, because they could claim no Aboriginality although they were dark people of Pacific islands descent.

I believe the article claimed that we were encouraging such people to claim to be Aborigines for the purpose of getting some benefits. While we accept a wide definition for Aboriginals and Aboriginal groups, there is no great inquiry as to the identity of each member of a group; in fact some groups have some members who are not Aboriginals. It could well be that by making false declarations some Pacific islanders are getting some benefits from the Department. This is fraudulent, of course, and is liable to action if fraud can be proved. I suppose some people might claim that if we are going to treat every ethnic group separately we should take in all minority ethnic groups, such as migrants who come here. I have a charter now only in respect of Aboriginals.

GREENSLOPES REPATRIATION HOSPITAL

Senator BROWN—The Minister for Repatriation and Compensation would be aware that moneys have been made available for a major rebuilding program at Greenslopes Repatriation Hospital located in a suburb of Brisbane. Has provision been made for a casualty section in this building program? If not, will he consider such a proposal?

Senator WHEELDON—The policy of the Government is to make provision for casualty sections in the repatriation general hospitals when they are in areas where there are populations not served by other general hospitals. In fact already in the Concord Repatriation General Hospital in a southern suburb of Sydney a casualty section has been provided which is performing a lot of useful work for people who live in that area. We are at the moment examining the position of the Greenslopes Repatriation General Hospital and it is hoped that in the fairly near future we will also have a casualty section operating in that hospital.

IMPRISONMENT OF AUSTRALIAN IN YUGOSLAVIA

Senator YOUNG-I ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs: Does he recall my asking some 8 days ago, on 3 December, what the Government was doing to protect its nationals when visiting the countries in which they were born and in particular what the Government was doing in relaton to a Mr Mavrinac, an Australian who is currently in gaol in Yugoslavia for criticising the

On attaining office, sponsorship of this Project by the Department of Social Security was confirmed by the present Minister.

Smoking in Schools (Question No. 350)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Minister for Education, upon notice:

- (1) What instructions, if any, have been supplied to staff in (a) Australian Capital Territory primary and secondary schools and (b) Northern Territory primary and secondary schools, with respect to smoking in classrooms, staff rooms and school grounds.
 - (2) When, and by whom, were such instructions given.
- (3) If the answer to (1) is in the negative, what rules, if any, currently govern smoking by staff in class rooms, staff rooms and school grounds in the (a) Australian Capital Terntory and (b) Northern Territory.
 - (4) For how long have such rules been in operation.

Senator Douglas McClelland--The Minister for Education has provided the following reply to the honourable senator's question:

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- (a) Teachers are permitted to smoke in offices and staff rooms. They shall refrain from smoking in classrooms, in corridors and while on playground duty.
- (b) No directions have been issued regarding smoking by teachers in school grounds. This is considered an issue for each school to decide and the decision is left to the professional acumen of principals and teachers.
- (2) The instructions currently applying in the Australian Capital Territory are similar to those contained in the 'Handbook Instructions and Information for the Guidance of Teachers', second division revised impression 1969, N.S.W. Department of Education. For the Northern Territory see (1)(b) above.

The Interim A.C.T. Schools Authority, which has been in operation for only one year, is currently formulating instructions and guidelines for teachers. The matter of smoking by teachers on school premises will be covered by these instructions.

- (3) See (1) above.
- (4) The instruction for the A.C.T. has been in operation for more than 25 years. For the Northern Territory see (1) (b) above.

Electoral: Employment of Candidates (Question No. 290)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Tourism and Recreation, upon notice:

- (1) Which persons appointed since December 1972 from outside the Australian Public Service to Boards, Commissions and Statutory Authorities under the Minister's responsibility are members of the Australian Labor Party or who, prior to the 1972 election, publicly advocated the return of the Labor Government.
- (2) What salary and allowances are paid to each such appointee.
- (3) What, if any additional staff and facilities have been provided for each such appointee.

- (4) What was the cost of such staff and facilities in the years ending (a) 30 June, 1973 and (b) 30 June, 1974.
- (5) What is the estimated cost of such staff and facilities for the year ending 30 June, 1975.

Senator Douglas McClelland—The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (1) No consideration has been given to the political affiliations of persons appointed since December 1972 from outside the Australian Public Service to Boards, Commissions and Statutory Authorities under the Minister's responsibility. The political affiliation of each individual is a matter for his/her own conscience. In making appointments and in recommending appointments to me my Department has not given political affiliations consideration but has sought the best person for the job.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) Not applicable.

Albury-Wodonga: Establishment of a University (Question No. 268)

Senator Melzer asked the Minister representing the Minister for Education, upon notice:

- (1) What progress has been made in the planning for a university to be established at Albury-Wodonga.
 - (2) What is the proposed opening date of the university.

Senator Douglas McClelland—The Minister for Education has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

A meeting was recently held between representatives of the New South Wales and Victorian State Governments, the Universities Commission, the Commission on Advanced Education and the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation to discuss the establishment of the university at Albury-Wodonga. The Government will take firm decisions on the opening date of the university and other matters related to its establishment as soon as it is possible to do so.

Ethiopian Arways

(Question No. 422)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Special Minister of State, upon notice:

- (1) Have any warrants in favour of Ethiopian Airways for overseas air travel been paid for by the Commonwealth Government.
 - (2) Over what period have such warrants been paid.
- (3) What were the warrants in each case and what amounts were paid.

Senator Willesee—The Special Minister of State has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1), (2) and (3). It is established procedure that all bookings for overseas air travel at Australian Government expense are made direct with Qantas or one of its General Sales Agents. If Qantas cannot make space available on one of its own or its partners' flights on the date travel is desired and it is not feasible to alter the date Qantas will arrange a booking through another carrier.

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Dispatch to Vietnam

(Question No. 413)

Senator Sir Magnus Cormack asked the Minister for 'Nation Review' upon notice:

(1) In view of Senator Sir Magnus Cormack's Question asked without notice on 30 July 1974 (vide Senate Hansard, page 530), relating to the publication in 'Nation Review' of a dispatch from the Australian Ambassador to Vietnam, will the Minister reply to the question as he promised.

(2) Will the Minister, in view of the general unease and suspicion lying upon Department of Foreign Affairs officers, as a result of an apparent breach of security, inform the Sen-

ate of the circumstances of the breach.

Senator Willesee—The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The document in question is a telegram. Its publication was without authorisation. I do not consider that publication has compromised the security of communications between Australian missions abroad and the Department of Foreign Affairs in Canberra or that any suspicion lies upon officers of my Department.

Qantas Airways Ltd: Financial Directions (Question No. 358)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Has the Government's financial directive to Qantas Airways Ltd been changed since I January 1973; if so, when were the changes made.
- (2) Will the Government table the latest financial directive to Qantas Airways Ltd.

Senator Cavanagh—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) No.

(2) Yes, after the revisions already in process have been completed.

Electoral: Employment of Candidates (Question No. 295)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Which persons appointed since December. 1972 from outside the Australian Public Service to Boards, Commissions and Statutory Authorities under the Minister's responsibility are members of the Australian Labor Party or who, prior to the 1972 election, publicly advocated the return of a Labor Government.
- (2) What salary and allowances are paid to each such appointee.

- (3) What, if any, additional staff and facilities have been provided for each such appointee.
- (4) What was the cost of such staff and facilities in the years ending (a) 30 June, 1973 and (b) 30 June, 1974.
- (5) What is the estimated cost of such staff and facilities for the year ending 30 June, 1975.

Senator Cavanagh—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) to (5) I refer the honourable senator to the information provided by the Prime Minister in reply to Question No. 302 (Senate Hansard, 31 October, 1974, page 2198).

Qantas Airways Ltd Board

(Question No. 335)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Who are the members of Qantas Airways Ltd's Board.
- (2) When was each member appointed and when does the term of appointment of each expire.
 - (3) What remuneration does each member receive.

Senator Cavanagh—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) to (3)—

	Date Appointed	Date Appoint- ment Remun- Expires eration	
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Chairman: Sir Donald Anderson	1.7.1972	30.6.1978	29,250
Vice Chairman: Mr R. R. Law-Smith	21.5.1956	30.6.1976	3,850
Directors:		*0 - 10#/	
Capt. R. J. Ritchie	1.7.1970	30.6.1976	Nil
Mr K. O. Brown	21.7.1972	20.7.1975	2,600
Mr K. O. Humphries	21.7.1972	20.7.1975	2,600
Mr J. A. R. Egerton	1.7.1973	30.6.1976	2,600
Sir Lenox Hewitt	1.7.1973	30.6.1975	Nil
Mr G. A. Bayutti	1.10.1974	30.9.1979	2,600
Mr C. J. Smith	1.10.1974	30.9.1979	Nil

Marine Radios

Senator Bishop—On 19 November 1974, Senator Devitt asked me the following question, without notice:

The Minister will be aware of the departmental policy requiring all future installations of ships' radios to be of the single side band type. I ask: Is he aware that the single side band radio is twice the cost of the type of radio currently in use, in other words, about \$1,200 as compared with \$500 or \$600? Is he also aware that there is no need whatsoever to require single side band sets to be installed in those vessels commonly referred to as small ships, that is, yachts, pleasure craft and vessels of that kind? In view of the discouragement to install radios because of the very great cost involved in

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

According to the information supplied to me, the answers are as follows:

- (1) The Objectionable Publications Ordinance, the Police Offences Ordinance, and the Common Law.
- (2) An answer to this question would require a legal opinion contrary to Order 99 of the Senate Standing Orders.
- (3) Inspector Broomby did not inform Father Gahan that he regarded the article as obscene. The Inspector said that he would obtain a report from the constable who first investigated the complaint and submit it to the Commissioner of the Australian Capital Territory Police.
- (4) Inspector Broomby obtained a report from Constable Hibberd and submitted it to the Commissioner.
- (5) The Commissioner of the Australian Capital Territory Police after discussion with senior officers of his Force concluded that the facts did not warrant a prosecution.
 - (6) See answer to (5).

Mr D. Ditchburn (Question No. 418)

Senator Baume asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, state that Mr David Ditchburn had advised him in writing that he would not accept payment to be offered for services on the Films Board of Review.
- (2) As the Papers tabled in the Senate on 10 December 1974 did not include such a letter would the Attorney-General now have the letter tabled in the Senate.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) Yes. At all times Mr Ditchburn had advised that he would not accept fees for his services on the Cinematograph Films Board of Review. It is understood that his employment precluded him from receiving fees for other services.

(2) Yes.

Ethiopian Airways

(Question No. 419)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Why did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, decline to answer that part of a Question without Notice asked by Senator Greenwood on 11 December 1974, which inquired if he would inform the Senate of any benefits received by him and his wife from Ethiopian Airways by way of free or concessional world travel, or in other ways.
- (2) What overseas trips have been made by (a) Mr Justice Murphy and (b) Mrs L. K. Murphy on airline tickets issued free, or at concessional rates, at the request of Ethiopian Airways on the basis of Mrs Murphy's employment, or engagement, with Ethiopian Airways during (i) 1969, (ii) 1970, (iii) 1971, (iv) 1972, (v) 1973 and (vi) 1974.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question: (1) and (2) These matters were dealt with in the Senate on 11 December 1974 (Hansard, page 3362) and it is not proposed to add to what was said on that occasion except to say that when he was Leader of the Opposition in the Senate the former Attorney-General was entitled to make overseas visits periodically at Government expense and that he did not at any time make any such visits at Government expense.

Ex-Attorney-General and Wife: Overseas Travel

(Question No. 420)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, and Mrs Murphy travel overseas during December 1973-January 1974; if so, where.
- (2) Were the air tickets for such flight issued by Pan American Airways at the request of Ethiopian Airways for their employee, Mrs Murphy.
- (3) Were such tickets issued at a concessional fare rate; if so, what was the concession.
 - (4) Was the overseas trip official or private.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

- The former Attorney-General and Mrs Murphy made a visit overseas in January 1974.
- (2), (3) and (4) The visit was a private one. See the answer given to the honourable Senator on 11 December 1974 (Hansard page 3362)

Mr D. Ditchburn (Question No. 421)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- Is the Attorney-General aware of the public interest in the appointment of Mr D. Ditchburn to the Films Board of Review.
- (2) Are Mr Ditchburn's qualifications, as well as the reasons for his appointment, legitimately a matter of public interest and properly to be made available as a matter of 'open government'.
- (3) Why was Mr Ditchburn considered a proper appointment to the Films Board of Review.
- (4) Does Mr Ditchburn hold any and, if so, what position with Ethiopian Airways.
- (5) Is the position he holds with Ethiopian Airways a fulltime position.
- (6) What, if any, background has Mr Ditchburn in the distribution or exhibition of films.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

- (1) to (3) See the answers given in reply to a question by Senator Withers without notice on 5 December 1974 (Hansard, pages 3163 and 3164). See also answer to question 446 which indicates the range of interests represented on the Board of Review.
 - (4) Yes. Regional Manager for Australasia.
 - (5) Yes.

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Mrs Luz Dungca: Employment (Question No. 423)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, employ a Mrs Luz Dungca in his household since her entry into Australia.
- (2) Was any arrangement made for her employment before she left the Philippines; if so, what was the arrangement.
- (3) On what grounds of admission under the Government's immigration policy did she enter Australia.
- (4) What representations did the previous Attorney-General make to secure her admission to Australia.

Senator James McClelland-The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) to (4) See the answer given by the Postmaster-General in the Senate on 11 December 1974 (Hansard, page 3369).

Marriage Celebrants (Question No. 425)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Who are the present civil celebrants of marriage, apart from religious celebrants and civil celebrants who are State Government officials.
- (2) Which civil celebrants of marriage identified in the answer to the preceding part of this Question were appointed by the previous Attorney-General.
- (3) Is it known what amount of fees each civil celebrant has received.
- (4) Are such celebrants under any obligation to account for their fees, or to disclose the total amounts received.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) The civil marriage celebrants who are not registry office officials or nominees are as follows:

J. L. Knorr	V. Oakes
L. M. D'Arcy	J. A. Loughman
J. E. Fuller	J. T. Dunn
C. Jones	W. A. McKenzie
C. V. Parsons	W. J. Bell
M. D. Baxendell	J. A. Kidd
T. A. Lambert	J. M. Hearn
	L. Fletcher
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W. G. Nicoll	C. Hockings
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(2) All.

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(4) The fees should be disclosed as income for taxation purposes provided the gross amount of all the celebrant's income is such that a return is required.

Marriage Celebrants (Question No. 426)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Did Mr Justice Murphy, as Attorney-General, have the exclusive power to appoint civil celebrants of marriage.
 - (2) What is the source of that power.
- (3) What criteria did the previous Attorney-General apply so as to determine who should be appointed as civil celebrants.
- (4) Are persons wishing to become celebrants invited to apply for appointment; if so, to whom is the invitation extended and how is it extended.
- (5) If not, how are the persons who are appointed cel-

Senator James McClelland-The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) and (2) Section 39 (1) of the Marriage Act 1961-1973 directly confers authority to solemnise marriages on persons crimination Bill

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

The following answers to questions were circulated:

Fuel Price to International Airlines (Question No. 336)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Prime Minister, upon notice:

- (1) Has the price rise forced on the oil companies by the Government for aviation fuel sold to international airlines been referred to the Prices Justification Tribunal; if not, why not.
- (2) Will the forced increase lead to higher fares for Australian users of international air services.

Senator Wriedt—The Prime Minister has provided the following information for answer to the honourable senator's question:

- (1) The determination of price for aviation fule for international airline services does not come within the Prices Justification Tribunal's jurisdiction. It will, however, be before it in its consideration of domestic prices.
- (2) An increase in the price of aviation fuel could be expected to lead to some increase in fares for international air services.

Miss Juni Morosi /

(Question No. 424)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Was Miss Juni Morosi at any time an applicant for a position with Qantas Airways Ltd.
- (2) Was any investigation made as to her suitability for the position she sought.
- (3) Was the result of the investigation at any time made available to Dr Cairns or to the Attorney-General; if so when and on whose initiative.

Senator Bishop—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

- (1) Miss Morosi applied for a position as a Qantas Ground Hostess in Manila. On 4 May 1959 she was appointed.
 - (2) No
- (3) See (2). So that the honourable senator may have the proper perspective on the information which he seeks, I would point out that, at the time of Miss Morosi's appointment in Manila in 1959, the then Minister for Civil Aviation, the late Senator the Hon. S. Paltridge, apparently saw no need for any investigation of Miss Morosi's suitability for the position she applied for. Consequently no such investigation was undertaken.

Chiopian Airways (Question No. 428)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

(1) Have any moneys received by Qantas Airways Ltd from the Commonwealth Government for overseas travel

warrants been the subject of inter-airline arrangements with Ethiopian Airways.

(2) If the answer to (1) is in the affirmative, what amounts, if any, have been paid or allowed to Ethiopian Airways by Qantas Airways Ltd in respect of travel on warrants payable by the Commonwealth Government in each of the years 1969 to 1974 inclusive.

Senator Bishop—The Minister of Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) Yes. Such travel warrants relate to sectors over which Qantas does not operate. The names of passengers and the relevant sectors travelled are as follows:

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(2) Because of the inordinate time necessary to sight all flight coupons and physically select the data required in respect of Ethiopian Airways, the period covered has been limited to 18 months. The value of the billings from Ethiopian Airways during this time is as follows:

April 1973-September 1973 October 1973-March 1974

\$3,552

2,518

April 1974-September 1974 Total

\$2,809 \$8,879

Mails

(Question No. 449)

Senator Townley asked the Postmaster-General, upon notice:

What was the total number of ordinary letters handled by the Post Office during:

- (a) December 1973;
- (b) December 1974;
- (c) January 1974; and
- (d) January 1975.

Senator Bishop—The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

A continuous monthly record of the total number of letters posted at Post Offices is not kept. However, about 50 per cent of all letters posted in Australia are initially received at the six Capital City Mail Exchanges and details of these postings are as follows:

- (a) 101.485 million
- 92.262 million (b)
- 80.462 million (c)
- (d) 74.933 million

Centurion Tanks

(Question No. 487)

Senator Mulvihill asked the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, upon

If Australia completes procurement of 53 Leopard battle tanks, is it visualised that supplementary action, similar to that of the Israeli Government, will be undertaken to update Australia's current pool of Centurion tanks.

Senator Bishop-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The feasibility of updating the Centurion tanks has been examined but no action is contemplated because of cost and technical considerations. The need for a second buy of Leopard battle tanks is now being examined by the Department of Defence.

Post Office Blacktown

(Question No. 492)

Senator Baume asked the Postmaster-General, upon notice:

- (1) Is a new post office being provided for Blacktown to be sited in the Westpoint Shopping Centre.
- (2) Will it replace the existing post office in Flushcomb Road; if so, what is the date proposed for the opening of the new post office and the closing of the existing facility.

Senator Bishop-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (1) It is proposed to establish a non-official post office in the Westpoint Towers shopping complex at Blacktown.
- (2) The existing post office in Flushcomb Road will continue to be the official post office at Blacktown.
- I am unable to advise precisely when the proposed nonofficial post office would commence business as negotiations

for the lease of suitable premises in the Westpoint complex are still proceeding.

Naval Ships' Movements (Question No. 498)

Senator Jessop asked the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, upon notice:

- (1) Why was the HMAS 'Banks' which sailed from Port Adelaide on 3 March 1975, for Sydney on exercises diverted at Portland, Victoria, to King Island where that ship met with another naval vessel.
- (2) Were HMAS 'Banks' and the other naval vessel sent to King Island to be a back drop for the Minister for Defence at a pastoral fete; if so, was the original naval exercise abandoned as a consequence.

Senator Bishop—The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (1) In December 1974 a request was received for a RAN ship to visit King Island for the Pastoral, Horticultural and Agricultural Show to be held 10-12 March 1975. HMAS 'Ardent' which was to be operating in the area at the time was programmed for the visit. HMAS 'Ardent' suffered a major defect early in March and to meet the commitment the program of HMA Ships 'Banks' and 'Bass' was changed to undertake the visit. Both ships, which were reserve manned, were programmed together to allow 'in company' time which is a valuable form of training and of mutual benefit to the crews of both vessels.
- (2) The Minister for Defence did not attend the Pastoral, Horticultural and Agricultural Show. The original naval exercise was changed as a result of the necessity to reprogram the ships.

British Immigration Laws (Question No. 507)

Senator Mulvihill asked the Minister for Foreign Affairs, upon notice:

Will the Minister seek information from the Australian High Commissioner in London about public utterances made by an Assistant Minister to the British Home Secretary which implied that the status of Australian and New Zealand nationals under existing British immigration laws are to be changed.

Senator Willesee-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The honourable senator is probably referring to a speech on immigration by Mr Alex Lyon, Minister of State of the Home Office, on 5 April 1975. I have arranged for a copy of an extract from Mr Lyon's speech to be forwarded to the honourable senator. From this speech he will note there is no specific mention of Australians or New Zealanders.

VIP Aircraft

(Question No. 510)

Senator Drake-Brockman asked the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, upon notice:

- (1) How many hours were flown by VIP aircraft in the financial years 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74 and in the first 9 months of the current year.
- (2) What is the present per-hour cost of flying each type of aircraft in the VIP fleet.

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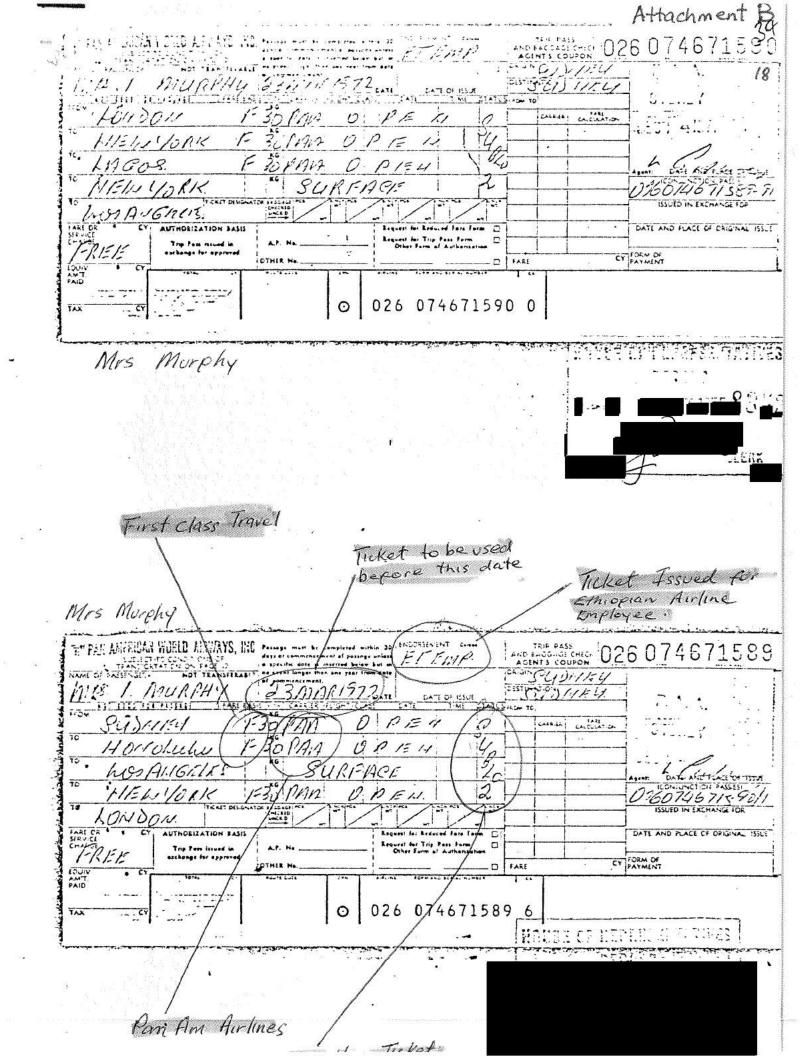
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This Resolution is binding upon all Members of the Passenger and Cargo Services Conferences. Amendments to this Resolution may be made by individual meetings of either the Passenger or Cargo Services Conference and action taken will be binding on the other Conference.

FREE AND REDUCED FARE OR RATE TRANSPORTATION

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RESOLVED that, free and reduced fare or rate transportation on revenue earning flights shall only be granted as hereinafter or in other Resolutions of this Conference(s) set forth:

- (1) for the purpose of this Resolution:
 - (a) 'air carrier' means any individual, corporation, association, partnership or other entity engaged in the transportation by aircraft of persons, property or mail for reward, or any corporation, association, partnership or other entity substantially all of the activities of which are incidental to such transportation and which is wholly owned or controlled by one or more such air carriers; provided that this shall be deemed not to include any organizations referred to in the preamble of Paragraph (3);
 - (b) 'employee of an 'air carrier' means either any person employed by an air carrier on a full-time basis, including 30 days thereafter, or any person employed by an air carrier on a part-time basis, who receives no other income on account of any service from a person other than the air carrier;
 - (c) 'pass' means an authorization for free or reduced fare or rate transportation;
 - (d) 'immediate family' means a spouse, children, parents, brothers, sisters, dependent relatives or dependents in the household;
 - (e) 'dependents in the household', in the case of paid employees, means:
 - bona fide household servants employed for at least 30 days prior to the commencement of travel or whom the employer intends to retain for at least 30 days after the termination of travel,
 - (ii) attendants accompanying an air carrier employee, or member of such employee's immediate family, who is ill or physically incapacitated and requires such attendance.
- (2) a Member may issue a pass for transportation over its own lines or over the lines of another Member if so authorized by the other Member for:
 - (a) an employee or officer of an air carrier or a member of such person's immediate family; provided that a pass shall not be issued by a Member to an employee or a member of the immediate family of an employee of another air carrier unless a request therefore shall have been made in accordance with the procedures established by the general offices of the air carrier by whom such employee is employed; provided further that the following persons shall be considered as employees of an air carrier:
 - a director (member of the Board of Directors or equivalent) of an air carrier.

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- (ii) an employee of the advertising and/or public relations agency, regularly retained by an air carrier in connection with its advertising and/or public relations activities; provided that such an employee devotes all, or substantially all, of his time to the work of such air carrier,
- (iii) a physician engaged by an air carrier on an annual basis,
- (iv) an attorney retained by an air carrier or who is a member of or employed by a firm of attorneys retained by an air carrier; provided that such attorney devotes all, or substantially all, of his time to the work of such air carrier,
- (v) an accountant or auditor retained by an air carrier or who is a member of or employed by a firm of accountants or auditors retained by an air carrier; provided that such accountant or auditor devotes all, or substantially all, of his time to the work of such air carrier.
- (vi) a business consultant retained by an air carrier or who is a member of or employed by a firm of business consultants retained by an air carrier and who is assigned a duty by the air carrier;
- (b) any person or supplies to provide relief in case of general epidemic, disaster or other calamitous visitation but not transportation to or from zones of military operation;
- (c) any person injured in an accident involving the operations of a scheduled air carrier where the object is to transport such injured person from the scene of the accident in order to secure medical or surgical treatment;
- (d) any physician or nurse, or other person able to aid injured persons, where the object is to transport him to or from the scene of an accident involving the operations of a scheduled air carrier;
- (e) any member of the immediate-family including the legal guardian of a person injured or killed in an accident involving the operations of a scheduled air carrier, where the object is to transport such person in connection with such accident;
- (f) any person where the object is to transport such person between two points served by the Member issuing the pass, for the purpose of an interview to determine whether the Member wishes to employ such person or to enable a person to commence his employment;
- (g) any attorney representing the Member issuing the pass, where the object is to enable such attorney to attend or return from a legal investigation in which such Member is interested;
- (h) any person where the object is to enable such person, as a witness to attend or return from a legal investigation in which the Member issuing the pass is interested;
- (i) the widow/widower and dependent children of a director, officer or employee of a Member or of IATA, who has died while in the service of the Member or of IATA; provided that the widow/widower shall retain such right only so long as she/he does not remarry and the children of the director, officer or employee shall retain the right only until they cease to be dependents;
- any person who is a retired director, officer or employee of a Member or of IATA, or for a member of such person's immediate family, or the widow/widower or dependent children of such a retired director, officer or employee; provided that:
 - (i) the director, officer or employee shall have reached full retirement status according to the established retirement plan of a Member or of IATA whether or not a pension is received,

- (ii) the director, officer or employee shall not have been re-employed other than by IATA in a branch of air transportation which of itself entitles him to free or reduced transportation over the services of a scheduled air carrier.
- the widow/widower shall retain such right only so long as she/he does not remarry and the children of the director, officer or employee shall retain the right until they cease to be dependents;
- (k) an employee of an air carrier for carriage of the employee's personal property;
- (I) an air carrier for carriage of its materials and supplies;
- (m) an engineer or technical adviser who is an employee of the aircraft or aircraft equipment manufacturer whose types of aircraft or equipment are employed by an air carrier, where the object is to enable such person to travel, on a one way or return basis for the purpose of giving technical advice or performing technical services in respect of the operation, maintenance or servicing of the said aircraft or equipment at the request of and in the interest of such air carrier.
- a Member may issue a pass to a director, officer or employee of a jointly operated organization, such as Consolidated or Joint Ticket Office, Control Tower, Aeronautical Radio, Inc., International Air Transport Association and Société Internationale de Télécommunications Aéronautiques (but not including air carriers as provided above) owned wholly or in part by two or more IATA Members, or to a member of such employee's immediate family, only upon prior request by a principal officer of such employee's employer and only in accordance with the following provisions:
 - a pass may be issued to such an employee, other than an employee of IATA and/or to members of his immediate family for the purpose of an emergency trip of a personal nature, and/or a single vacation trip on any one airline or combination of airlines within any calendar year at the time of a vacation granted the employee by his employer; provided that the trip may be a one way trip, round trip, circle trip, with or without stopover; and provided further that for the purpose of this Subparagraph a trip shall be deemed to be taken within the calendar year in which the trip is commenced;
 - (b) a pass may be issued to such an employee, other than an employee of IATA, for the purpose of any trip on the employer's business, or a single educational trip on the lines of any one Member or combination of Members; provided that the trip may be a one way trip, round trip, circle trip, with or without stopover;
 - (c) a pass may be issued to such an employee of IATA and/or to members of his immediate family only in accordance with rules, regulations and procedures approved by the Executive Committee of IATA;
 - (d) a pass may be issued to such an employee for carriage of the employee's personal property.
- (4) nothing herein shall be construed as requiring a Member to offer free or reduced fare or rate transportation.
- (5) notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein as in Resolution 200g, no free or reduced fare transportation may be granted for immigrant traffic, except by agreement of the Members concerned and the Governments concerned.
- (6) subject to applicable government rules and regulations, for transportation to/from the U.S.A., nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit a Member from granting free or reduced transportation to any person on its own services.





Kevin A. Bushby

Marketing Distribution Manager

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MEMORANDUM

Roughly corrected,

ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES MATTER

Record of discussions between Kevin A Bushby (Qantas) and Ned Jordan on 30 July, 1986.

(Mr Bushby is the Marketing Distribution Manager of Qantas and his duties include the responsibility for I.A.T.A. Resolutions relating to free and discounted travel for airline employees and others).

During the course of the discussions I asked Mr Bushby about free and discounted travel for airline employees and others and whether he had any information concerning Ethiopian Airlines and in particular the involvement back in about 1971 - 73 of Mr Ditchburn and others associated with that Airline. Mr Bushby provided the following information:

1. I.A.T.A. airlines are generally bound by Resolutions related to membership and general conduct and in the main they are complied with. However airlines particularly in recent years having been inclined to be somewhat liberal in their approach to these rules. He said that there are no compliance action taken against airlines that don't strictly adhere to rules this being in the context of an emerging self regulation arrangement.

In terms of free or discounted travel he said that staff members or employees generally of airlines are eligible for free or discounted travel. Also employees of a travel agency in some circumstances may be entitled to free or discounted travel.

Generally the immediate family of the employee is eligible however this is at the airline's discretion and that

discretion is exercised usually on the basis of commercial assessment of the benefit which might flow from such concessions.

Some airlines have in fact formal agreements between each other in relation to these arrangements.

of Qantas free travel is provided to employees of the company and that entitlement is extended to direct family of the employee. In the case the spouse and of a female employee her husband irrespective of financial circumstances would be entitled to free travel although Mr Bushby suggested to call a husband who may have substantial assets a dependent was an inappropriate reference. Bushby provided me with the I.A.T.A. Resolution 788 "Free and Reduced Fare or Rate Transportion". In part that Resolution says "resolved that free and reduced fare or rate transportation on revenue earning flights shall only be granted as here and after or in other Resolutions of this Conference set forth; for the purpose οf this Resolution ;

a. an employee of an aircarrier means either any person employed by an aircarrier on a fulltime basis including 30 days thereafter or any person employed by an aircarrier on a part time basis, who receives no other income on account of any service from a person other than the airlines;

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- d. immediate family means a spouse, children, parents, brothers, sisters, dependant relatives or dependants in the household.
- e. dependants in the household in the case of paid employees means;

- i) bona fide household servants employed for at least 30 days prior to the commencement of travel or whom the employer intends to retain for at least 30 days after the termination,
- ii) attendants accompanying an aircarrier employee or member of such employee's immediate family who is ill or physically incapacitated and requires such attendants (a copy of Resolution 788 is attached to this file).

Mr Bushby who has been with Qantas for quite some years said that he knew of David Ditchburn's involvement with Ethiopian Airlines back in 1971 - he said that Ditchburn outwardly seemed to be a bona fide employee or some sort of Commission Agent with Ethiopian Airlines (however it was not clear to him or others at that time, exactly what his relationship was with the Airline) Ditchburn at that time was running a small office which purported to be the office of Ethiopian Airlines. He said at that time it was ought by Bushby and others in the industry that it was somewhat unusual to have a local representative as (Ditchburn) seemed to be when the Airline already had a general Sales Agent (which was (Qantas).

I asked Mr Bushy whether he knew of any contribution to the Airline that Mrs Murphy may have made during that period. He said that to the best of his knowledge the only involvement Mrs Murphy had was on occasions to appear in the social columns as attending functions as the Ethiopian Airlines Representative.

There seems to be apparently \bigwedge no local Representative of Ethiopian Airlines.

Mr Bushby said that Ethiopian Airlines pays Qantas 3% of the fares they direct towards Ethiopian Airlines. He said that there was very little involved here and as an example he nominated January 1984 stating that \$625.00 had been received by Qantas for commission on Ethiopian Airlines travel. He said

that Ditchburn probably would have had a similar 3% arrangement with the Airline at that time. He said there was some surprise at the time when Ditchburn will established an office for Ethiopian Airlines in Sydney. As mentioned earlier the establishment of this office in some sense duplicated the function of Qantas.

I talked to Mr Bushby about the arrangement as I understood it that Mrs Quartermaine who seemed to receive no remuneration for her efforts, rather she was "paid" by way of free travel for her efforts. Mr Bushby said that in his experience that is a most unusual arrangement. I then sought specific information on when Mr Ditchburn may have been appointed or when Mrs Murphy and Mrs Quartermaine may have been appointed. He said that that information was just to his knowledge not available. I also asked whether he could establish from I.A.T.A. records on how many occasions the Murphys may have travelled on free or discounted tickets. He said again this information was not available perhaps other than Ethiopian Airlines Head Office (if indeed they still retained such information).

Mr Bushby said that the usual way for free tickets to be served by employees was for a letter to be written perhaps on the letterhead on the Airline letterhead to a particular Airline. The lefter would seek free or discounted tickets and as mentioned earlier that airline would make some judgement about whether or not it should grant that request.

I then discussed whether other airlines which do not fly into or out of this country nominate particular people as local representatives to act on their behalf and in turn, receive some sort of remuneration and or free travel. Mr Bushby nominated three airlines which fall loosely in that category. The first, American airlines has an office in Sydney, however the airline does not fly into or out of this country. The second, Air Madagascar again does not fly into or out of this country nor does it have an office but it has appointed a person as its

local representative. The Local Representative seems to have some Consular functions as well. Third, Air Mauritius, again this person does not work from an office rather he works from home. Mr Bushby said that in case of these officers if Qantas were to receive a request for free travel on their behalf he is of the view that Qantas would grant such a request. He says he knows of no arrangements where airlines appoint prominent citizens to represent the Airlines.

In summary Mr Bushby said that the sort of arrangements I described in relation to Ditchburn/Mrs Murphy/Mrs Quartermaine was, even at that time, quite unusual. However he did say that Qantas had as mentioned by Mrs Quartermaine, provided her with free travel based on her association with Ethiopian Airlines.

I then showed Mr Bushby photocopies of what appeared to be Pan Am tickets issued on behalf of Senator and Mrs I Murphy. said the tickets show that a Mrs I Murphy and Senator Murphy travelled on a date which cannot be determined from these tickets from Sydney to Honolulu, Los Angeles, New York, London, Los Angeles, Honolulu and Sydney. The tickets were issued free and were for first class on Pan Am. They are standby tickets. And in the case of Mrs Murphy, they were issued as an Ethiopian Airlines employee and in the case of Senator Murphy as an Ethiopian Airline employee dependant. Mr Bushby said that the Ethiopian Airline dependant term was perhaps inappropriate given that a special category existed for immediate family (as mentioned above). There is a date ie. 23 March, 1972 mentioned on case of the sets of . tickets However, this date appears to be the date nominated as the expiry date of the tickets. A second set of tickets bears a date of 7 March, 1974 for both Mrs and Senator These tickets are for Sydney to Honolulu, Los Angeles, Murphy. London, New York, Los Angeles, Sydney. Again they are issued on Pan Am Airways on first class. They are free and on standby. Mr Bushby said that these photocopies appeared to be Of the agent's copy of the ticket and as such do not show the date in which travel was completed. Nor do the tickets show a

date of issue.

I asked whether free tickets could be cashed in. Mr Bushby said that that was just not possible. The only money that could be recovered from tickets was the unused cash component of the tickets.

The conversation ended shortly afterwards at 3.15 having commenced at 2.15.



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FREE AND REDUCED FARE OR RATE TRANSPORTATION

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RESOLVED that, free and reduced fare or rate transportation on revenue earning flights shall only be granted as hereinafter or in other Resolutions of this Conference(s) set forth:

- (1) for the purpose of this Resolution:
 - (a) 'air carrier' means any individual, corporation, association, partnership or other entity engaged in the transportation by aircraft of persons, property or mail for reward, or any corporation, association, partnership or other entity substantially all of the activities of which are incidental to such transportation and which is wholly owned or controlled by one or more such air carriers; provided that this shall be deemed not to include any organizations referred to in the preamble of Paragraph (3);
 - (b) 'employee of an 'air carrier' means either any person employed by an air carrier on a full-time basis, including 30 days thereafter, or any person employed by an air carrier on a part-time basis, who receives no other income on account of any service from a person other than the air carrier;
 - (c) 'pass' means an authorization for free or reduced fare or rate transportation;
 - (d) 'immediate family' means a spouse, children, parents, brothers, sisters, dependent relatives or dependents in the household;
 - (e) 'dependents in the household', in the case of paid employees, means:
 - bona fide household servants employed for at least 30 days prior to the commencement of travel or whom the employer intends to retain for at least 30 days after the termination of travel,
 - (ii) attendants accompanying an air carrier employee, or member of such employee's immediate family, who is ill or physically incapacitated and requires such attendance.
- a Member may issue a pass for transportation over its own lines or over the lines of another Member if so authorized by the other Member for:
 - (a) an employee or officer of an air carrier or a member of such person's immediate family; provided that a pass shall not be issued by a Member to an employee or a member of the immediate family of an employee of another air carrier unless a request therefore shall have been made in accordance with the procedures established by the general offices of the air carrier by whom such employee is employed; provided further that the following persons shall be considered as employees of an air carrier:
 - (i) a director (member of the Board of Directors or equivalent) of an air carrier,

- the director, officer or employee shall not have been re-employed other than by IATA in a branch of air transportation which of itself entitles him to free or reduced transportation over the services of a scheduled air carrier,
- the widow/widower shall retain such right only so long as she/he does not remarry and the children of the director, officer or employee shall retain the right until they cease to be dependents;
- (k) an employee of an air carrier for carriage of the employee's personal property;
- an air carrier for carriage of its materials and supplies;
- (m) an engineer or technical adviser who is an employee of the aircraft or aircraft equipment manufacturer whose types of aircraft or equipment are employed by an air carrier, where the object is to enable such person to travel, on a one way or return basis for the purpose of giving technical advice or performing technical services in respect of the operation, maintenance or servicing of the said aircraft or equipment at the request of and in the interest of such air carrier.
- (3) a Member may issue a pass to a director, officer or employee of a jointly operated organization, such as Consolidated or Joint Ticket Office, Control Tower, Aeronautical Radio, Inc., International Air Transport Association and Société Internationale de Télécommunications Aéronautiques (but not including air carriers as provided above) owned wholly or in part by two or more IATA Members, or to a member of such employee's immediate family, only upon prior request by a principal officer of such employee's employer and only in accordance with the following provisions:
 - (a) a pass may be issued to such an employee, other than an employee of IATA and/or to members of his immediate family for the purpose of an emergency trip of a personal nature, and/or a single vacation trip on any one airline or combination of airlines within any calendar year at the time of a vacation granted the employee by his employer; provided that the trip may be a one way trip, round trip, circle trip, with or without stopover; and provided further that for the purpose of this Subparagraph a trip shall be deemed to be taken within the calendar year in which the trip is commenced;
 - (b) a pass may be issued to such an employee, other than an employee of IATA, for the purpose of any trip on the employer's business, or a single educational trip on the lines of any one Member or combination of Members; provided that the trip may be a one way trip, round trip, circle trip, with or without stopover;
 - (c) a pass may be issued to such an employee of IATA and/or to members of his immediate family only in accordance with rules, regulations and procedures approved by the Executive Committee of IATA;
 - (d) a pass may be issued to such an employee for carriage of the employee's personal property.
- (4) nothing herein shall be construed as requiring a Member to offer free or reduced fare or rate transportation.
- (5) notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein as in Resolution 200g, no free or reduced fare transportation may be granted for immigrant traffic, except by agreement of the Members concerned and the Governments concerned.
- (6) subject to applicable government rules and regulations, for transportation to/from the U.S.A., nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit a Member from granting free or reduced transportation to any person on its own services.

- (ii) an employee of the advertising and/or public relations agency, regularly retained by an air carrier in connection with its advertising and/or public relations activities; provided that such an employee devotes all, or substantially all, of his time to the work of such air carrier,
- (iii) a physician engaged by an air carrier on an annual basis,
- (iv) an attorney retained by an air carrier or who is a member of or employed by a firm of attorneys retained by an air carrier; provided that such attorney devotes all, or substantially all, of his time to the work of such air carrier,
- (v) an accountant or auditor retained by an air carrier or who is a member of or employed by a firm of accountants or auditors retained by an air carrier; provided that such accountant or auditor devotes all, or substantially all, of his time to the work of such air carrier,
- (vi) a business consultant retained by an air carrier or who is a member of or employed by a firm of business consultants retained by an air carrier and who is assigned a duty by the air carrier;
- (b) any person or supplies to provide relief in case of general epidemic, disaster or other calamitous visitation but not transportation to or from zones of military operation;
- (c) any person injured in an accident involving the operations of a scheduled air carrier where the object is to transport such injured person from the scene of the accident in order to secure medical or surgical treatment;
- (d) any physician or nurse, or other person able to aid injured persons, where the object is to transport him to or from the scene of an accident involving the operations of a scheduled air carrier;
- (e) any member of the immediate family including the legal guardian of a person injured or killed in an accident involving the operations of a scheduled air carrier, where the object is to transport such person in connection with such accident;
- (f) any person where the object is to transport such person between two points served by the Member issuing the pass, for the purpose of an interview to determine whether the Member wishes to employ such person or to enable a person to commence his employment;
- (g) any attorney representing the Member issuing the pass, where the object is to enable such attorney to attend or return from a legal investigation in which such Member is interested;
- (h) any person where the object is to enable such person, as a witness to attend or return from a legal investigation in which the Member issuing the pass is interested;
- the widow/widower and dependent children of a director, officer or employee of a Member or of IATA, who has died while in the service of the Member or of IATA; provided that the widow/widower shall retain such right only so long as she/he does not remarry and the children of the director, officer or employee shall retain the right only until they cease to be dependents;
- any person who is a retired director, officer or employee of a Member or of IATA, or for a member of such person's immediate family, or the widow/widower or dependent children of such a retired director, officer or employee; provided that:
 - (i) the director, officer or employee shall have reached full retirement status according to the established retirement plan of a Member or of IATA whether or not a pension is received.

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CONVERSATION WITH MRS MCKENZIE - NED JORDAN (MARC HOWARD ALSO PRESENT) 32-7-86

J: Could I have your full name Mrs McKenzie?

MCK: Ute Tine Gurtrun McKenzie.

J: Thank you. Occupation? are you still involved with the Travel Agency?

MCK: I am not involved with any travel agency.

J: I see. Thanks. Well in terms of Mr Justice Murphy - did you ever in years passed, or at any time meet Mr Justice Murphy?

MCK: Yes, I met him once.

J: Could you describe when that was and the circumstances.

MCK: Yes. It was in 1974 when I was appointed a civil marriage celebrant.

J: Right.

MCK: And that was in the time of (....).

J: Could you describe the circumstances surrounding the appoinment as a celebrant.

MCK: I applied like anyone else applied as a marriage celebrant and I was accepted.

J: And Mr Justice Murphy made those appointments?

MCK: I think he appointed every celebrant at that time.

J: Can we just talk briefly about Ethiopian Airlines. As I understand it you were appointed as Area Representative?

MCK: Yes. First of all as a Representative for Western Australia

J: Could you again describe how that came about?

MCK: Yes. I think David Ditchburn through my ex husband...and this is how I came to meet David when you know I was appointed. I was at the time my last child went off to school and I was looking forward to do something else. And it was you know having had travelled for so many years with my ex husband being in travel it was, it is the thing for me to do.

J: What did your role with Ethiopian Airlines involve?

MCK: I was appointed as Western Australian Representative for Ethiopian Airlines and I was working for David Ditchburn.

J: Were you paid on a commission basis or was there any salary?

MCK: Well I was paid for the first few months and I wasn't paid any more and I really considered it a privilege for something.

J: Were you friends with Mr Ditchburn and his wife, Junie Morosi?

MCK: Yes.

J: Did you have to find or promote in a way, Ethiopian Airlines? At that stage you were presumably working with travel agency?

MCK: No It was nothing to do with the travel agency. I was the Airline Representative. And I went through the travel agencies to promote Ethiopian Airlines.

J: Was much business achieved through Ethiopian Airlines do you recall?

MCK: Not very much at all. I used to take groups of travel agents through Ethiopia on educationals .. that's about all.

J: What benefits were available as a result of being that Representative. Was it free travel available or discounted travel?

MCK: It was free travel.

J: Did you make much use of that?

MCK: At the time, yes I did. With my children or family.

J: And who's entitled to travel?. I've heard talk about direct family, was it limited say to your husband, or children?

MCK: dependent spouse and children.

J: Right - not brothers sisters?

MCK: I don't think so.

J: But at that time, you say you had no contact with with Mr Murphy, it was only later in 1974 when you were appointed a marriage celebrant?

MCK: Yes.

J: What period were you the Airline Representative?

MCK: When I was appointed in 1973, 1974. I'm not quite sure about the date. It was such a long time ago.

J: Sure. But it was before '74 when you were appointed the marriage celebrant, it was earlier than that?

MCK: Yes. And ah I must have worked as a Representative for Western Australia for about 6 years and then David Ditchburn left the airline and I was asked to represent Ethiopian Airlines with Australia wide and I actually did it all for quite a few years for David Ditchburn as an Acting Regional Manager of Ethiopian Airlines.

J: Was he (Ditchburn) a permanent employee of the airline?

MCK: Yes.

J: A full time job?

MCK: Yes.

J: When did you say that you finished your association with the Airline?

MCK: When I finished completely with the airline?

J: Yes.

MCK: Oh about 3 or 4 years ago.

J: What were the circumstances of finishing up, or did you just decide you'd have enough?

MCK: ...Oh, no no no no not at all. I had a visit from an Ethiopian Airline Representative from China. Australia came under the China Region. He came to see me and he asked me to find a Representative for Australia especially to Sydney and interview people who might be interested in representing Ethiopian Airlines. And I sent off the letter making a few suggestions and I never heard from them again

and at that time my son was over here from England he he was still travelling on a courtesy ticket and he needed to go back to England and I was at that time, in America and Qantas refused to issue him the ticket. And when I got back Qantas phoned me and said apparently that they had a telex from China saying that I'm not representing Ethiopian Airlines anymore and I've never ever heard from them again since, nothing at all.

J: Qantas now it has now the same role doesn't it with Ethiopian Airlines.

MCK: Qantas.

J: Qantas, yes.

MCK: Yes they were the general sales agency they did all the ticketing.

J: So if you wanted to go overseas, what was the usual routine, would you approach Qantas?

MCK: I would have prepared a standard letter and sent it to the Airlines.

J: Would it have to be Qantas.

MCK: It doesn't have to be Qantas.

J: You had a letterhead that you would write to them.

MCK: What has that got to do with Lionel Murphy.

J: Well we're interested in how that worked because Mrs Murphy was appointed as the Sales Representative.

MCK: Did he travel as well?

J: Well I understand that's the case.

MCK Well he was quite entitled to do so under Section 202 I think it was.

J: Yes. Was that an I.A.T.A. regulation?

MCK: I.A.T.A. Regulation, yes.

H: What is that section. What does it say?

MCK: Don't ask me. But you will find it in the I.A.T.A. Regulation if you go to any Airline.

H: But you say he was entitled to it. Why do you say he was entitled to it if Mrs Murphy was the Sales Representative?

MCK: Because he was a dependant spouse. It's like my husband - he travelled free as my dependant spouse and it is within the I.A.T.A. Regulations.

Some of these matters that I want to raise with you - you J: may know nothing about but since obviously your husband, sorry, your ex husband is no longer available for us to speak to, being as I understand in England, may I ask some of these questions of you. I don't know whether you recall that there was in the paper some allegation that Mrs Murphy received a diamond from persons in Western Australia associated with the companies of Moll and the doctors who were involved in some of the Moll Schemes. Whether you had any knowledge of a diamond either been bought by Mrs Murphy or being given as a gift ...

MCK: No.

J: Do you know anything about diamonds being brought into the country or on behalf of any person?

MCK: No.

J: There's also another matter that got some attention I think in the Parliament, it was an alleged letter from Dr Tiller to Mr Quartermaine which was read in Parliament and said words to the effect: "Would you please contact again your friend Mr Murphy to see if he can assist us in the problem we've got - I haven't got the words right - but we don't want too much media attention or scandal and would you ask Mr Murphy again if he can assist us. That letter was said to have been written to your ex husband.

MCK: By Mr Tiller?

J: Yes. Dr Tiller, yes.

MCK: I don't know if it..

J: Do you know whether your ex husband knew Mr Justice Murphy?

MCK: No I don't know.

J: He didn't talk of a friendship with him or having met him?

MCK: No. Our lives were quite separate. I didn't know very much about Murray's doings at all.

J: What going back quite some years?

MCK: Yes. As far as I was concerned he was a travel agent.
That's all I knew about it.

J: So the next question, perhaps is already answered but if, so you're not aware of any favours or services which Mr Murphy may have done for your ex husband or in turn any favours that might have been done for Murphy?

MCK: No.

H: Do you recall your ex husband ever mentioning Mr Murphy at all?

MCK: No.

H: Did you know the circumstances perhaps of again it's probably, you probably don't, but why Mrs Murphy might have been appointed a Sales Representative of Ethiopian Airlines?

MCK: No I really don't know.

H: Do you know who might have of appointed her. Would it have been Ditchburn?

MCK: I presumed it would of been David Ditchburn because he was the Regional Manager of Ethiopian Airlines and it was up to him to appoint the staff.

J: Did you know anything about tickets being cashed in on Ethiopian Airlines. When tickets are given free...

MCK: ...they couldn't be cashed in...

J: ..when you've given a free ticket is it possible?

MCK: Yes, but it's written on it F.O.C.

J: ...free of charge?

MCK: ..yes.

J: So they can't be cashed in?

MCK: ...you couldn't possibly cash it. It's impossible. Nobody could do it.

J: Did you ever happen to see say Junie Morosi during the times of...

MCK: Oh yes I saw some...

J: What was the contact of Ms Morosi was it..

MCK: Well my husband he was in one of the companies involved that he had, I can't recall the name of it and they used to have business meetings.

J: Was it a company associated with the Airlines?

MCK: No it was to do with...

J: Right. Did they meet regularly?

MCK: Agencies of hotels I think it was.

J: They met here in Perth or...

MCK: In Perth Yes.

J: Could you recall possibly the years that they were talking about?

MCK: 1970 - it was before she was appointed as Cairn's Secretary. When was she appointed as Cairn's Secretary?

J: It's testing me - I can't recall.

H: It was when the Whitlam Government came in 73 didn't they?

MCK: (interrupting)'72, '73 something you know around that time.

J: So it was in relation to a common business interest that they shared at the time together in hotels..

MCK: Umm. I haven't seen Junie or David since that time when she was appointed as Cairn's Secretary or even heard of her.

J: She was also appointed a marriage celebrant too I think wasn't she by Mr Murphy at that same time.

MCK: Yes. This was the time when he Lionel Murphy pushed it to the poll that is marriage celebrants.

J: Are you still a marriage celebrant? I suppose if one's a celebrant that goes on and on..

MCK: Oh it's a lovely position to have.

J: Yes. I'm sure. Do you regularly have ceremonies.

MCK: Yes. I love it - you meet so many different people

J: I'm sure.

MCK: I mean the family's grown up now you know it's a nice thing to have.

J: Do you know, perhaps not an appropriate question for you, but whether or not Morosi does as much work in that area too. You say you don't have any contact with her now for some years.

MCK: yes. no idea.

J: I'm sorry if I've asked this question but did you know Mrs Murphy?

MCK: Well I met her same time.

J: Just the same time and not any other time through Ethiopian Airlines that common interest of both being Representatives there wasn't correspondence or meetings.

- MCK: No, nothing at all. I just met her once that's all.
- J: Being appointed an agent, the Representative for West Australia for the Airlineswould you say that it really was a perk a sense?
- MCK: Well I certainly didn't look at it as a perk because I did quite a bit of work for them and I wasn't paid for it. The only perk I got out of it was travel. The free travel.
- J: And you sought to promote the airline with travel agents and others?
- MCK: I was under a committee of the Interline Club, the Airline Club. I did a lot of work for them. I was on the Committee for years and I had a once a year luncheon that Ethiopian Airlines put on and I really did quite a bit of work for them. It wasn't you know from 9 to 5 every day but for what I got out of it, I think I was justified to get the free perks because I didn't get paid for it.
- J: And you don't know what use Mrs Murphy may have made of tickets?
- J: Sorry, again I may have asked this, you mentioned the Ethiopian Airlines have sought to appoint a person in Sydney or .. do you know whether they ultimately selected somebody or whether there's anybody currently actively promoting Ethiopian Airlines here?
- MCK: I don't think so. I don't think they ever really had a budget for Australia. And you know I never really did have many tours as such to advertise Ethiopian Airlines whatever I did by myself.
- J: Can you estimate how often you might of travelled or your family through that period that you were part of it. Once a year, twice a year.

MCK: Once a year, sometimes twice a year. Because that didn't, that doesn't include the trips I had personally to go through Australia to Adelaide Sydney, Melbourne.

J: Did it also involve free or discounted travel on Ansett and TAA?

MCK: Yes.

MCK: Did you come specially over to interview people from Sydney?

J: Yes. Yes.

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ETHIOPIAN AIRLINES MATTER

I today contacted the following parties concerning the current status of Ethiopian Airlines:

- . Department of Aviation Canberra
- . I.A.T.A.
- . AFTA
- . Travel Agents Registration Board

Mr Ian Boyd, Head of the NSW Travel Agents Registration Board said that Ethiopian Airlines did not at any stage fly into or out of Australia and to his knowledge Mr Ditchburn was appointed as the National Sales Agent for the Airline. He in turn appointed Mrs Quartermaine in Western Australia as the Sales Agent in that Region and as he understands it, a dollar a year and additionally appointed Mrs Murphy in NSW/Canberra as that Region's Sales Agent again at \$1.00 per year. Mr Boyd was not able to provide much more information and suggested that I should contact Mr Bob Jackray, the local I.A.T.A. representative on 231-6922.

Mr Jackray said that Mr Ditchburn would attend the I.A.T.A. meetings on matters of common interest to Airlines and that as he understood it, the arrangement was that Ditchburn would get a 3% commission on Ethiopian Airline business. While Ethiopian Airlines as mentioned earlier, did not fly into or out of Australia, the role of Ditchburn appears to of have been to direct people towards those Airlines which had connecting flights with Ethiopian Airlines. He was not able to say how much business Ditchburn would have been likely to generate during the period of his association with Ethiopian Airlines. This Jackray said that currently Qantas is the Australian Agent for Ethiopian Airlines.

In relation to the matter of the private action brought by Mr Justice Murphy or defamation against The Mirror in 1976, I contacted the NSW Supreme Court Registry about the Judgement and also transcript of the hearing. I was told that in relation to the transcript of proceedings, that it was only available to the parties concerned (Counsel etc.). Any request I was told would have to be made in writing and that it would take a day or so to get the material from Archives unless of course it had been destroyed. The officer told me that normally these files are destroyed after 5 years.

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Petitions

5 December 1974 SENATE 3163

Thursday, 5 December 1974

The DEPUTY PRESIDENT (Senator J. J. Webster) took the chair at 10.30 a.m., and read prayers.

PETITIONS

Academic Salaries

Senator MULVIHILL—I present the following petition from 26 lecturers of New South Wales Colleges of Advanced Education:

To the Honourable the President and Senators of the Upper House in Parliament assembled: The Petition of certain Iccturers of New South Wales Colleges of Advanced Education respectfully showeth:

That we strongly urge the acceptance of recommendations on academic salaries, to be announced by Mr Justice Campbell.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

Petition received and read.

The Clerk—The following petitions have been lodged for presentation.

Taxation: Education Expenses

To the Honourable the President and Members of the Senate in Parliament assembled. The humble petition of the undersigned citizens of the Commonwealth respectfully showeth:

Whereas the Treasurer of the Australian Government has proposed that the concessional deduction for education expenses be reduced from \$400 to \$150.

We, the undersigned, humbly petition the Senate to return any legislation which could give effect to such a proposal to the House of Representatives and request that the concessional deduction for education expenses be restored to \$400 for each child attending an approved school or college,

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

by Senator GUILFOYLE.

Petition received.

Family Law Bill

To the Honourable the President and Members of the Senate in Parliament assembled. We, the undersigned Citizens of the Commonwealth, by this our humble Petition respectfully showeth:

- (a) That the inclusion in Sub-section 54(2) of the Family Law Bill of the Clause recommended in paragraph 67 (f) (2) of the Report of the Senate Standing Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs, which will allow 'any fact or circumstance' to be taken into account when considering maintenance, completely alters the whole concept of specific guidelines as now set out in Section 54, and we oppose it.
- (b) That the removal of the word 'exceptional' in Subsection 92 (2) of the new Family Law Bill will result in a high level of bitter and costly litigation in ancillary matters, which the proposed sharing of costs with legal aid available, would otherwise minimise.
- (c) That Judicial discretion which allows fault in Property Settlement, the usual accusations necessitating defence in custody and access matters, as well as (a) and (b) above, will

result in very much the same litigation in ancillary matters as under the present iniquitous Matrimonial Causes Act.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

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Petition received.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

MR DAVID DITCHBURN

Senator WITHERS—My question is directed to the Attorney-General. I ask: Has the Attorney-General appointed Mr David Ditchburn to the Films Board of Review? Further, is Mr David Ditchburn the husband of Junie Morosi, a former assistant to Mr Grassby and now a member of Dr Cairn's staff, for whom the Attorney-General attempted to obtain a low rental government flat in Canberra?

Senator MURPHY—The answer to the first question is yes. The answer to the second question is yes, Mr Ditchburn is the husband of Miss Morosi. As to the suggestion about low cost rental accommodation, I am informed by Mr Bryant that the accommodation that was sought is not low cost. May I say that Mr Ditchburn is qualified for the appointment. I have not heard the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate say that he is not.

Senator Withers-I have not said that.

Senator MURPHY-I heard him ask some questions yesterday.

Senator Withers—Perhaps you could give us his qualifications.

Senator MURPHY-If the Leader of the Opposition wants his qualifications he can ask for them. Mr Ditchburn is a mature person with extensive experience in commerce and industry. He is familiar with community standards here and overseas and, in my opinion, was eminently suitable for appointment to that position. As I recall it, the other persons on the Films Board of Review include a chairman who has been there for a very long time and who was connected with the film industry. One of my predecessors-I think it was Mr Chipp-appointed a long distance runner to the Board of Review. While long distance running may not seem terribly closely connected with films, persons from the com-munity who are not film makers are needed there. Another person from the television industry was appointed to the Board by one of my predecessors.

I proposed the appointment of Professor Hammer, a psychologist, and Dr Middleton, another psychologist. I knew Mr Ditchburn and knew his outlook and in my view he was qualified to be appointed. If the Leader of the Opposition wants to say that Mr Ditchburn was not competent to be appointed, that there is anything wrong with the appointment apart from his being married to a particular person, let him say so. There is a very low payment associated with the appointment and the man concerned indicated to me in writing at the time that he did not want the payment associated with the position. If the Leader of the Opposition wants to engage in these other matters, if he wants to question the competence or qualifications of Miss Morosi, let him do so. In all that he said yesterday outside this chamber, he did not say that she was not qualified and not competent to do the things she was appointed to do in the sphere of my portfolio.

AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING COMMISSION DISMISSALS

Senator POYSER—Has the Minister for the Media seen Press reports that 70 production staff employed by the Australian Broadcasting Commission in Sydney and Melbourne face the sack? Can the Minister outline the position of these workers and the future they face? Is there any possibility of their positions being safeguarded?

Senator DOUGLAS McCLELLAND-I saw the report to which the honourable senator has referred. The production staff mentioned were casuals who were employed by the Australian Broadcasting Commission for specific projects. In Melbourne they were engaged on set production and matters of that nature for the very highly successful ABC television production 'Rush', filming of which has now finished. It has been shown on the ABC. The staff was told at the time they started that they would be employed only for the purpose of that series. As the honourable senator would know, the Australian Government provided the ABC with additional finance to enable it to go into that sort of television production. The 20 Sydney staff were employed as casuals to build a village at Belrose in Sydney for the production of a television series on the life of the Australian bushranger Ben Hall. That is a co-production arrangement entered into by the ABC and the British Broadcasting Corporation. Work has finished on that set production but the workers will be kept in mind for any future employment.

ACCOMMODATION FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE

Senator GREENWOOD—My question to the Attorney-General refers to his letter of 8 November, about which he was asked a question yesterday, in which he asked Mr Bryant to exercise his ministerial authority to give Miss Morosi a Government flat. Did the Attorney-General receive any acknowledgment, either in writing or verbally, from Mr Bryant as to what Mr Bryant had done? If so, what was that acknowledgment? Was Miss Morosi in fact offered a Government flat? Did she in fact sign a lease for a flat?

Senator MURPHY-Yes, of course I received an acknowledgment from Mr Bryant. Mr Bryant spoke to me about it. I told the Senate yesterday that Mr Bryant asked me to send a letter. I have seen something in the newspapers saying that I sent a letter in support of some letter by Mr Grassby, and that I had stated that in this chamber. I had not said any such thing and as far as I know Mr Grassby did not send any such letter. Mr Bryant asked me to send a letter. As I have indicated, I sent the letter and he spoke to me afterwards and said he was looking into the matter. I spoke to him yesterday about what happened and he said that in fact Miss Morosi had not been given a flat. I notice there is a question by the honorable senator on the notice paper about a lease. I am afraid I know nothing about that. I assume that as she had not been given a flat she would hardly have signed a lease. I will have that looked into.

CHILDREN'S TELEVISION

Senator MELZER—I ask the Minister for the Media whether his attention has been drawn to the report of the Children's Television Action Committee to the effect that television stations in Australia are screening cartoons which have been either banned in the United States or carry a warning to parents. Can the Minister inform the Senate of steps taken to ensure that Australian children see the very best that television has to offer? Has his department contemplated instituting procedures such as prefacing certain films with a warning to parents?

Senator DOUGLAS McCLELLAND—I have seen the report to which the honourable senator refers. The Australian Children's Television Action Committee was formed to promote and agitate for better children's programs on television. The honourable senator will appreciate that in this chamber this week there was a debate concerning amendments which the Government was seeking to the Broadcasting and Television

ETHIOPIAN AIRWAYS

Senator GREENWOOD—I ask the Attorney-General: In view of his recent actions in favour of Junie Morosi, his appointment of her husband Mr Ditchburn, who holds a regional position for Ethiopian Airways, to the Film Board of Review and Mrs Murphy's continued engagement by Ethiopian Airways, does the Attorney-General consider himself under any sense of obligation to Ethiopian Airways? Will he inform the Senate of any benefits received by him and his wife from Ethiopian Airways by way of free or concessional world travel or in other ways? Further, is he able to inform the Senate what business Ethiopian Airways carries on in Australia or is it merely a front for other, and if so what, activities?

Senator MURPHY—I can inform the honourable gentleman that I am under no obligation to Ethiopian Airways. I am unable to inform the honourable gentleman about the activities of Ethiopian Airways in Australia, and even if I were, that matter is not within my ministerial portfolio. As to any affairs of my wife, I do not intend in this chamber to enter into any matters relating to my wife. I do not think the Senate would expect me to do so and I do not intend to do so.

RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Senator McAULIFFE—Has the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs seen an article in the 'Sydney Morning Herald' last Saturday to the effect that descendants of Pacific islanders brought to Australia as slave labour last century are planning an appeal to the United Nations against what they allege is racial discrimination by Federal and State governments in Australia? Will the Minister advise the Senate of the position in Australia with respect of Pacific islanders? Does he agree with those persons quoted in the article last Saturday that the Government is acting in a discriminatory manner against them?

Senator CAVANAGH—Yes, I saw the article. I do not agree that the Government is acting in a discriminatory way against that ethnic group. I think the Constitution permits the making of special laws for any race of people other than normal Australians. Therefore I think the Government would be capable of making special laws for Pacific islanders or their descendants. However, my portfolio of Aboriginal Affairs is under Government direction. We have given a wide interpretation to Aboriginal affairs but that is the extent to which my portfolio goes and the extent to which my Department is able to help. Some people have applied for special assistance

as Aborigines but they have had to be rejected, of necessity, because they could claim no Aboriginality although they were dark people of Pacific islands descent.

I believe the article claimed that we were encouraging such people to claim to be Aborigines for the purpose of getting some benefits. While we accept a wide definition for Aboriginals and Aboriginal groups, there is no great inquiry as to the identity of each member of a group; in fact some groups have some members who are not Aboriginals. It could well be that by making false declarations some Pacific islanders are getting some benefits from the Department. This is fraudulent, of course, and is liable to action if fraud can be proved. I suppose some people might claim that if we are going to treat every ethnic group separately we should take in all minority ethnic groups, such as migrants who come here. I have a charter now only in respect of Aboriginals.

GREENSLOPES REPATRIATION HOSPITAL

Senator BROWN—The Minister for Repatriation and Compensation would be aware that moneys have been made available for a major rebuilding program at Greenslopes Repatriation Hospital located in a suburb of Brisbane. Has provision been made for a casualty section in this building program? If not, will he consider such a proposal?

Senator WHEELDON—The policy of the Government is to make provision for casualty sections in the repatriation general hospitals when they are in areas where there are populations not served by other general hospitals. In fact already in the Concord Repatriation General Hospital in a southern suburb of Sydney a casualty section has been provided which is performing a lot of useful work for people who live in that area. We are at the moment examining the position of the Greenslopes Repatriation General Hospital and it is hoped that in the fairly near future we will also have a casualty section operating in that hospital.

IMPRISONMENT OF AUSTRALIAN IN YUGOSLAVIA

Senator YOUNG-I ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs: Does he recall my asking some 8 days ago, on 3 December, what the Government was doing to protect its nationals when visiting the countries in which they were born and in particular what the Government was doing in relaton to a Mr Mavrinac, an Australian who is currently in gaol in Yugoslavia for criticising the

On attaining office, sponsorship of this Project by the Department of Social Security was confirmed by the present Minister.

Smoking in Schools (Question No. 350)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Minister for Education, upon notice:

- What instructions, if any, have been supplied to staff in

 (a) Australian Capital Territory primary and secondary
 schools and (b) Northern Territory primary and secondary
 schools, with respect to smoking in classrooms, staff rooms
 and school grounds.
 - (2) When, and by whom, were such instructions given.
- (3) If the answer to (1) is in the negative, what rules, if any, currently govern smoking by staff in class rooms, staff rooms and school grounds in the (a) Australian Capital Territory and (b) Northern Territory.
 - (4) For how long have such rules been in operation.

Senator Douglas McClelland—The Minister for Education has provided the following reply to the honourable senator's question:

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- (a) Teachers are permitted to smoke in offices and staff rooms. They shall refrain from smoking in classrooms, in corridors and while on playground duty.
- (b) No directions have been issued regarding smoking by teachers in school grounds. This is considered an issue for each school to decide and the decision is left to the professional acumen of principals and teachers.
- (2) The instructions currently applying in the Australian Capital Territory are similar to those contained in the 'Handbook Instructions and Information for the Guidance of Teachers', second division revised impression 1969. N.S.W. Department of Education. For the Northern Territory see (1)(b) above.

The Interim A.C.T. Schools Authority, which has been in operation for only one year, is currently formulating instructions and guidelines for teachers. The matter of smoking by teachers on school premises will be covered by these instructions.

- (3) See (1) above.
- (4) The instruction for the A.C.T. has been in operation for more than 25 years. For the Northern Territory see (1) (b) above.

Electoral: Employment of Candidates (Question No. 290)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Tourism and Recreation, upon notice:

- (1) Which persons appointed since December 1972 from outside the Australian Public Service to Boards, Commissions and Statutory Authorities under the Minister's responsibility are members of the Australian Labor Party or who, prior to the 1972 election, publicly advocated the return of the Labor Government.
- (2) What salary and allowances are paid to each such appointee.
- (3) What, if any additional staff and facilities have been provided for each such appointee.

(4) What was the cost of such staff and facilities in the years ending (a) 30 June, 1973 and (b) 30 June, 1974.

(5) What is the estimated cost of such staff and facilities for the year ending 30 June, 1975.

Senator Douglas McClelland—The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (1) No consideration has been given to the political affiliations of persons appointed since December 1972 from outside the Australian Public Service to Boards, Commissions and Statutory Authorities under the Minister's responsibility. The political affiliation of each individual is a matter for his/her own conscience. In making appointments and in recommending appointments to me my Department has not given political affiliations consideration but has sought the best person for the job.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) Not applicable.

Albury-Wodonga: Establishment of a University (Question No. 268)

Senator Melzer asked the Minister representing the Minister for Education, upon notice:

- What progress has been made in the planning for a university to be established at Albury-Wodonga.
- (2) What is the proposed opening date of the university.

Senator Douglas McClelland—The Minister for Education has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

A meeting was recently held between representatives of the New South Wales and Victorian State Governments, the Universities Commission, the Commission on Advanced Education and the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation to discuss the establishment of the university at Albury-Wodonga. The Government will take firm decisions on the opening date of the university and other matters related to its establishment as soon as it is possible to do so.

Ethiopian Airways

(Question No. 422)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Special Minister of State, upon notice:

- (1) Have any warrants in favour of Ethiopian Airways for overseas air travel been paid for by the Commonwealth Government.
 - (2) Over what period have such warrants been paid.
- (3) What were the warrants in each case and what amounts were paid.

Senator Willesee—The Special Minister of State has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1), (2) and (3). It is established procedure that all bookings for overseas air travel at Australian Government expense are made direct with Qantas or one of its General Sales Agents. If Qantas cannot make space available on one of its own or its partners' flights on the date travel is desired and it is not feasible to alter the date Qantas will arrange a booking through another carrier.

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Dispatch to Vietnam

(Question No. 413)

Senator Sir Magnus Cormack asked the Minister for 'Nation Review' upon notice:

(1) In view of Senator Sir Magnus Cormack's Question asked without notice on 30 July 1974 (vide Senate Hansard, page 530), relating to the publication in 'Nation Review' of a dispatch from the Australian Ambassador to Vietnam, will the Minister reply to the question as he promised.

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(2) Will the Minister, in view of the general unease and suspicion lying upon Department of Foreign Affairs officers, as a result of an apparent breach of security, inform the Sen-

ate of the circumstances of the breach.

Senator Willesee—The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The document in question is a telegram. Its publication was without authorisation. I do not consider that publication has compromised the security of communications between Australian missions abroad and the Department of Foreign Affairs in Canberra or that any suspicion lies upon officers of my Department.

Qantas Airways Ltd: Financial Directions

(Question No. 358)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Has the Government's financial directive to Qantas Airways Ltd been changed since 1 January 1973; if so, when were the changes made.
- (2) Will the Government table the latest financial directive to Qantas Airways Ltd.

Senator Cavanagh—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

- (1) No
- (2) Yes, after the revisions already in process have been completed.

Electoral: Employment of Candidates (Question No. 295)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Which persons appointed since December, 1972 from outside the Australian Public Service to Boards. Commissions and Statutory Authorities under the Minister's responsibility are members of the Australian Labor Party or who, prior to the 1972 election, publicly advocated the return of a Labor Government.
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- (5) What is the estimated cost of such staff and facilities for the year ending 30 June, 1975.

Senator Cavanagh—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) to (5) I refer the honourable senator to the information provided by the Prime Minister in reply to Question No. 302 (Senate Hansard, 31 October, 1974, page 2198).

Qantas Airways Ltd Board

(Question No. 335)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Who are the members of Qantas Airways Ltd's Board.
- (2) When was each member appointed and when does the term of appointment of each expire.
 - (3) What remuneration does each member receive.

Senator Cavanagh—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) to (3)—

	Date Appointed	Date Appoint- ment Expires	Remun- eration
			\$
Chairman: Sir Donald Anderson	1.7.1972	30.6.1978	29,250
Vice Chairman: Mr R. R. Law-Smith	21.5.1956	30.6.1976	3,850
Directors: Capt. R. J. Ritchie Mr K. O. Brown Mr K. O. Humphries Mr J. A. R. Egerton Sir Lenox Hewitt Mr G. A. Bayutti Mr C. J. Smith	1.7.1970 21.7.1972 21.7.1972 1.7.1973 1.7.1973 1.10.1974	30.6.1976 20.7.1975 20.7.1975 30.6.1976 30.6.1975 30.9.1979	Nil 2,600 2,600 2,600 Nil 2,600 Nil

Marine Radios

Senator Bishop—On 19 November 1974, Senator Devitt asked me the following question, without notice:

The Minister will be aware of the departmental policy requiring all future installations of ships' radios to be of the single side band type. I ask: Is he aware that the single side band radio is twice the cost of the type of radio currently in use, in other words, about \$1,200 as compared with \$500 or \$600? Is he also aware that there is no need whatsoever to require single side band sets to be installed in those vessels commonly referred to as small ships, that is, yachts, pleasure craft and vessels of that kind? In view of the discouragement to install radios because of the very great cost involved in

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

According to the information supplied to me, the answers are as follows:

- (1) The Objectionable Publications Ordinance, the Police Offences Ordinance, and the Common Law.
- (2) An answer to this question would require a legal opinion contrary to Order 99 of the Senate Standing Orders.
- (3) Inspector Broomby did not inform Father Gahan that he regarded the article as obscene. The Inspector said that he would obtain a report from the constable who first investigated the complaint and submit it to the Commissioner of the Australian Capital Territory Police.
- (4) Inspector Broomby obtained a report from Constable Hibberd and submitted it to the Commissioner.
- (5) The Commissioner of the Australian Capital Territory Police after discussion with senior officers of his Force concluded that the facts did not warrant a prosecution.
 - (6) See answer to (5).

Mr D. Ditchburn (Question No. 418)

Senator Baume asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, state that Mr David Ditchburn had advised him in writing that he would not accept payment to be offered for services on the Films Board of Review.
- (2) As the Papers tabled in the Senate on 10 December 1974 did not include such a letter would the Attorney-General now have the letter tabled in the Senate.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) Yes. At all times Mr Ditchburn had advised that he would not accept fees for his services on the Cinematograph Films Board of Review. It is understood that his employment precluded him from receiving fees for other services.

(2) Yes.

Ethiopian Airways

(Question No. 419)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Why did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, decline to answer that part of a Question without Notice asked by Senator Greenwood on 11 December 1974, which inquired if he would inform the Senate of any benefits received by him and his wife from Ethiopian Airways by way of free or concessional world travel, or in other ways.
- (2) What overseas trips have been made by (a) Mr Justice Murphy and (b) Mrs L. K. Murphy on airline tickets issued free, or at concessional rates, at the request of Ethiopian Airways on the basis of Mrs Murphy's employment, or engagement, with Ethiopian Airways during (i) 1969, (ii) 1970, (iii) 1971, (iv) 1972, (v) 1973 and (vi) 1974.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) and (2) These matters were dealt with in the Senate on 11 December 1974 (Hansard, page 3362) and it is not proposed to add to what was said on that occasion except to say that when he was Leader of the Opposition in the Senate the former Attorney-General was entitled to make overseas visits periodically at Government expense and that he did not at any time make any such visits at Government expense.

Ex-Attorney-General and Wife: Overseas Travel

(Question No. 420)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- (1) Did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, and Mrs Murphy travel overseas during December 1973-January 1974; if so, where.
- (2) Were the air tickets for such flight issued by Pan American Airways at the request of Ethiopian Airways for their employee, Mrs Murphy.
- (3) Were such tickets issued at a concessional fare rate; if so, what was the concession.
- (4) Was the overseas trip official or private.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

- The former Attorney-General and Mrs Murphy made a visit overseas in January 1974.
- (2), (3) and (4) The visit was a private one. See the answer given to the honourable Senator on 11 December 1974 (Hansard page 3362)

Mr D. Ditchburn (Question No. 421)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

- Is the Attorney-General aware of the public interest in the appointment of Mr D. Ditchburn to the Films Board of Review.
- (2) Are Mr Ditchburn's qualifications, as well as the reasons for his appointment, legitimately a matter of public interest and properly to be made available as a matter of 'open government'.
- (3) Why was Mr Ditchburn considered a proper appointment to the Films Board of Review.
- (4) Does Mr Ditchburn hold any and, if so, what position with Ethiopian Airways.
- (5) Is the position he holds with Ethiopian Airways a full-time position.
- (6) What, if any, background has Mr Ditchburn in the distribution or exhibition of films.

Senator James McClelland—The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

- (1) to (3) See the answers given in reply to a question by Senator Withers without notice on 5 December 1974 (Hansard, pages 3163 and 3164). See also answer to question 446 which indicates the range of interests represented on the Board of Review.
- (4) Yes. Regional Manager for Australasia.
- (5) Yes

Answers to Questions

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background in the distribution or exhibition of films.

Answers to Questions

Mrs Luz Dungea: Employment (Question No. 423)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

(1) Did the previous Attorney-General, Mr Justice Murphy, employ a Mrs Luz Dungca in his household since her entry into Australia.

(2) Was any arrangement made for her employment before she left the Philippines; if so, what was the arrangement.

(3) On what grounds of admission under the Government's immigration policy did she enter Australia.

(4) What representations did the previous Attorney-General make to secure her admission to Australia.

Senator James McClelland-The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) to (4) See the answer given by the Postmaster-General in the Senate on 11 December 1974 (Hansard, page 3369).

Marriage Celebrants (Question No. 425)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

(1) Who are the present civil celebrants of marriage, apart from religious celebrants and civil celebrants who are State Government officials.

(2) Which civil celebrants of marriage identified in the answer to the preceding part of this Question were appointed by the previous Attorney-General.

(3) Is it known what amount of fees each civil celebrant

(4) Are such celebrants under any obligation to account for their fees, or to disclose the total amounts received.

Senator James McClelland-The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) The civil marriage celebrants who are not registry office officials or nominees are as follows:

> V. Oakes J. L. Knorr . M. D'Arcy J. A. Loughman J. T. Dunn W. A. McKenzie W. J. Bell J. E. Fuller C. Jones C. V. Parsons J. A. Kidd M. D. Baxendell J. M. Hearn T. A. Lambert R. Salmon L. Fletcher C. Hockings W. G. Nicoll M. Winson J. Morosi D. C. Berndt I. Stern P. Wilde K. A. French K. W. Hughes J. B. Mayne K. C. Boyer E. W. Clancy K. J. Venn I. I. Shea G. Klok P. E. Callahan A. Burns A. Bowne A. W. Kentesber M. P. Barron J. E. Probert S. M. Reader M. L. Wood N. B. Hammond

D. R. Messenger	G. T. Wilson
B. M. Fogarty	J. Calomeris
R. J. G. Brown	R. R. Holloway
J. A. Wainwright	Y. Muir-Wilson
P. Surtees	P.O. Kruger
D. B. Riddell	U. Quartermaine
M. Bellett	W. G. Cook
J. Barrett	K. L. Buttriss
G. Mellick	A. R. Mott
S. Castley	E. G. Nichol
D. A. Jacobs	I. J. Abbott
B. E. Gregory	F. Arena
C. A. Harman	M. L. Hicks
J. M. Howard	E. Hanks
P. Williamson	C. Lovasz
C. M. Ditchburn	R. H. Harle
B. A. Lamb	S. Vardon
R. Dezelin	B. Parnell
C. N. Harris	U. Murray
E. Julien	R. G. McAlister
I. Baker	N. M. Newlin
A. G. Hastings	J. C. Wells
S. T. Yarrow	P. Woolcock
G. Hoogstad	D. Rees
B. E. Waters	D. M. Wyvill
J. W. Tease	S. M. Dragona
M. J. Praed	K. P. Frake
T. P. Hinch	R. G. Withers
Y. M. Gunn	J. A. Kane
F. Csernik	N. G. Phillips
E. E. White	P. H. Mullins
C. C. Eyres	

(2) All.

(3) No.

(4) The fees should be disclosed as income for taxation purposes provided the gross amount of all the celebrant's income is such that a return is required.

Marriage Celebrants (Question No. 426)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Attorney-General, upon notice:

(1) Did Mr Justice Murphy, as Attorney-General, have the exclusive power to appoint civil celebrants of marriage.

(2) What is the source of that power.

(3) What criteria did the previous Attorney-General apply so as to determine who should be appointed as civil celebrants

(4) Are persons wishing to become celebrants invited to apply for appointment; if so, to whom is the invitation extended and how is it extended.

(5) If not, how are the persons who are appointed celebrants selected.

Senator James McClelland-The Attorney-General has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) and (2) Section 39 (1) of the Marriage Act 1961-1973 directly confers authority to solemnise marriages on persons

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

The following answers to questions were circulated:

Fuel Price to International Airlines (Question No. 336)

Senator Withers asked the Minister representing the Prime Minister, upon notice:

- (1) Has the price rise forced on the oil companies by the Government for aviation fuel sold to international airlines been referred to the Prices Justification Tribunal; if not, why not.
- (2) Will the forced increase lead to higher fares for Australian users of international air services.

Senator Wriedt—The Prime Minister has provided the following information for answer to the honourable senator's question:

- (1) The determination of price for aviation fule for international airline services does not come within the Prices Justification Tribunal's jurisdiction. It will, however, be before it in its consideration of domestic prices.
- (2) An increase in the price of aviation fuel could be expected to lead to some increase in fares for international air services.

Miss Juni Morosi

(Question No. 424)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

- (1) Was Miss Juni Morosi at any time an applicant for a position with Qantas Airways Ltd.
- (2) Was any investigation made as to her suitability for the position she sought.
- (3) Was the result of the investigation at any time made available to Dr Cairns or to the Attorney-General; if so when and on whose initiative.

Senator Bishop—The Minister for Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

- (1) Miss Morosi applied for a position as a Qantas Ground Hostess in Manila. On 4 May 1959 she was appointed.
 - (2) No
- (3) See (2). So that the honourable senator may have the proper perspective on the information which he seeks, I would point out that, at the time of Miss Morosi's appointment in Manila in 1959, the then Minister for Civil Aviation, the late Senator the Hon. S. Paltridge, apparently saw no need for any investigation of Miss Morosi's suitability for the position she applied for. Consequently no such investigation was undertaken.

Ethiopian Airways

(Question No. 428)

Senator Greenwood asked the Minister representing the Minister for Transport, upon notice:

(1) Have any moneys received by Qantas Airways Ltd from the Commonwealth Government for overseas travel warrants been the subject of inter-airline arrangements with Ethiopian Airways.

(2) If the answer to (1) is in the affirmative, what amounts, if any, have been paid or allowed to Ethiopian Airways by Qantas Airways Ltd in respect of travel on warrants payable by the Commonwealth Government in each of the years 1969 to 1974 inclusive.

Senator Bishop—The Minister of Transport has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

(1) Yes. Such travel warrants relate to sectors over which Qantas does not operate. The names of passengers and the relevant sectors travelled are as follows:

Ethiopian Airways travel on Qantas tickets issued against Commonwealth Government warrants

Passenger Name	Sector of Travel
Z. Gebremskel	Bombay—Addis Ababa
D. R. Willesee (Mrs)	Lagos-Addis Ababa
G. Briot	Lagos-Addis Ababa
D. R. Willesee (Hon.)	Lagos-Addis Ababa
J. W. Cumes	Lagos-Addis Ababa
R. Percival	Bombay-Addis Ababa
M. Percival (Mrs)	Bombay-Addis Ababa
M. Percival (Miss)	Bombay-Addis Ababa
M. Percival (Mrs)	Bombay-Addis Ababa
M. Percival (Miss)	Bombay-Addis Ababa
R. Percival	Bombay-Addis Ababa
E. Morris	Nairobi-Lagos
R. Massey	Addis Ababa—Bombay
F. Crean	Addis Ababa-Bombay
F. Crean (Mrs)	Addis Ababa-Bombay
R. Freney	Addis Ababa-Bombay
H. Scott	Addis Ababa-Bombay
D. Reeves	Addis Ababa-Bombay
M. D. Salako	Nairobi-Lagos
K. Abbeysam	Nairobi-Accra
Anang Tse	Accra-Nairobi
J. Attakoram	Nairobi-Accra
J. Fashakin	Nairobi-Lagos
J. Fashakin	Nairobi-Lagos
R. Johns	Nairobi-Addis Ababa
R. Johns	Addis Ababa—Cairo
P. Brotchie	Lagos-Nairobi
M. Saignavongs	Nairobi-Lagos
W. Monagham	Lagos-Dar-es-Salaam
F. Bakoufs	Lagos-Nairobi
O. Ajangit	Bombay—Addis Ababa
M. Culnane	Accra-Nairobi
A. Misai	Nairobi-Lagos
J. Boaseng	Accra-Nairobi
E. Aboaeye	Accra-Nairobi
C. Carson	Accra-Nairobi
O. Okuonghae	Lagos-Nairobi
P. Cornelius	Accra-Nairobi
M. Ovuede	Lagos-Nairobi
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(2) Because of the inordinate time necessary to sight all flight coupons and physically select the data required in respect of Ethiopian Airways, the period covered has been limited to 18 months. The value of the billings from Ethiopian Airways during this time is as follows:

April 1973—September 1973 \$3,552 October 1973—March 1974 \$2,518

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(Question No. 449)

Senator Townley asked the Postmaster-General, upon notice:

What was the total number of ordinary letters handled by the Post Office during:

- (a) December 1973;
- (b) December 1974;
- (c) January 1974; and
- (d) January 1975.

Senator Bishop-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

A continuous monthly record of the total number of letters posted at Post Offices is not kept. However, about 50 per cent of all letters posted in Australia are initially received at the six Capital City Mail Exchanges and details of these postings are as follows:

- (a) 101.485 million
- 92.262 million (b)
- 80.462 million (c)
- 74.933 million

Centurion Tanks

(Question No. 487)

Senator Mulvihill asked the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, upon notice:

If Australia completes procurement of 53 Leopard battle tanks, is it visualised that supplementary action, similar to that of the Israeli Government, will be undertaken to update Australia's current pool of Centurion tanks.

Senator Bishop-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The feasibility of updating the Centurion tanks has been examined but no action is contemplated because of cost and technical considerations. The need for a second buy of Leopard battle tanks is now being examined by the Department of Defence.

Post Office Blacktown

(Question No. 492)

Senator Baume asked the Postmaster-General, upon notice:

- (1) Is a new post office being provided for Blacktown to be sited in the Westpoint Shopping Centre.
- (2) Will it replace the existing post office in Flushcomb Road; if so, what is the date proposed for the opening of the new post office and the closing of the existing facility.

Senator Bishop-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (1) It is proposed to establish a non-official post office in the Westpoint Towers shopping complex at Blacktown.
- (2) The existing post office in Flushcomb Road will continue to be the official post office at Blacktown.

I am unable to advise precisely when the proposed non-official post office would commence business as negotiations

for the lease of suitable premises in the Westpoint complex are still proceeding.

Naval Ships' Movements (Question No. 498)

Senator Jessop asked the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, upon notice:

- (1) Why was the HMAS 'Banks' which sailed from Port Adelaide on 3 March 1975, for Sydney on exercises diverted at Portland, Victoria, to King Island where that ship met with another naval vessel
- (2) Were HMAS 'Banks' and the other naval vessel sent to King Island to be a back drop for the Minister for Defence at a pastoral fete; if so, was the original naval exercise abandoned as a consequence.

Senator Bishop-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

- (1) In December 1974 a request was received for a RAN ship to visit King Island for the Pastoral, Horticultural and Agricultural Show to be held 10-12 March 1975. HMAS 'Ardent' which was to be operating in the area at the time was programmed for the visit. HMAS 'Ardent' suffered a major defect early in March and to meet the commitment the program of HMA Ships 'Banks' and 'Bass' was changed to undertake the visit. Both ships, which were reserve manned. were programmed together to allow 'in company' time which is a valuable form of training and of mutual benefit to the crews of both vessels.
- (2) The Minister for Defence did not attend the Pastoral, Horticultural and Agricultural Show. The original naval exercise was changed as a result of the necessity to reprogram the ships.

British Immigration Laws

(Question No. 507)

Senator Mulvihill asked the Minister for Foreign Affairs, upon notice:

Will the Minister seek information from the Australian High Commissioner in London about public utterances made by an Assistant Minister to the British Home Secretary which implied that the status of Australian and New Zealand nationals under existing British immigration laws are to be changed.

Senator Willesee-The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The honourable senator is probably referring to a speech on immigration by Mr Alex Lvon, Minister of State of the Home Office, on 5 April 1975. I have arranged for a copy of an extract from Mr Lyon's speech to be forwarded to the honourable senator. From this speech he will note there is no specific mannion of Australians or New Zealanders. specific mention of Australians or New Zealanders

VIP Aircraft

(Question No. 510)

Senator Drake-Brockman asked the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, upon notice:

- (1) How many hours were flown by VIP aircraft in the financial years 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74 and in the first 9 months of the current year.
- (2) What is the present per-hour cost of flying each type of aircraft in the VIP fleet.

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Extract from Weinberg/Phelan Memorandum dated 3 July 1986 (full copy on File C51

ALLEGATION NO. 7 - FREE OR DISCOUNTED AIR TRAVEL

One inference which could be drawn from the fact that the Judge's wife worked for Ethiopian Airlines for a nominal fee of \$1 per year (that Airline being run by David Ditchburn in Australia) is that the Judge received a secret commission contrary to the provisions of the New South Commonwealth Legislation governing secret commissions. might also be an offence of fraud on the Commonwealth in the non-economic sense (conspiracy to defraud in its The likelihood is that Mrs Murphy performed no services of any value to Ethiopian Airlines, but received this nominal fee and the right to travel overseas as a favour supplied to herself and the Attorney General in the expectation or hope that award would follow to Ditchburn and Morosi. plain that some reward did follow. Ditchburn was appointed to certain government positions, as was Morosi. It may be a long bow at this stage, but a permissible inference would be that the Judge thereby received a secret commission in exchange for rewards to Ditchburn and Morosi.

Persons to be interviewed

- 1. Ditchburn
- Morosi

We should also examine the lengthy Hansard debate which occurred in relation to this matter. In addition, the Judge was cross-examined about it in his action against Mirror Newspapers in 1976. We would also need to know what ultimately happened to Ethiopian Airlines business in Australia. The Department of Aviation might be able to help. We should indicate that we do not regard this allegation as being one which should take high priority.

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