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FINANCE MINISTER AS A FINAL CHARGE**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2002**

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Appropriation Acts (No. 1 and No. 3) 2001-2002  
— \$175,000,000

Appropriation Acts (No. 2 and No. 4) 2001-2002  
— \$215,000,000

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# INTRODUCTION

The Advance to the Finance Minister (the Advance) is a provision authorised by the annual Appropriation Acts and made available to the Finance Minister as a central contingency fund to provide urgent funding to agencies through the year. The relevant sections of the 2001-02 Appropriation Acts specifying the use of the Advance are set out under.

## **Appropriation Acts (Nos. 1 and 3)**

- Sections 11 of the Appropriation Acts (Nos. 1 and 3) 2001-2002 apply if:
  - 1) The Finance Minister is satisfied that:
    - a) there is an urgent need for expenditure that is not provided for, or is insufficiently provided for, in the Schedules; and
    - b) the additional expenditure is not provided for, or is insufficiently provided for, in the Schedules:
      - i) because of an erroneous omission or understatement; or
      - ii) because the additional expenditure was unforeseen until after the last day on which it was practicable to provide for it in the Bills for these Acts, before those Bills were introduced into the House of Representatives.
  - 2) These Acts have effect as if the Schedules were amended, in accordance with a determination of the Finance Minister, to make provision for so much (if any) of the additional expenditure as the Finance Minister determines.
  - 3) The total of the amounts determined under these sections cannot be more than \$175 million.
  - 4) The Finance Minister must give the Parliament details of amounts determined under these sections.

## **Appropriation Acts (Nos. 2 and 4)**

- Sections 11 of the Appropriation Acts (Nos. 2 and 4) 2001-2002 apply if:
  - 1) The Finance Minister is satisfied that:
    - a) there is an urgent need for expenditure that is not provided for, or is insufficiently provided for, in Schedules 2; and
    - b) the additional expenditure is not provided for, or is insufficiently provided for, in Schedules 2:

- i) because of an erroneous omission or understatement; or
  - ii) because the additional expenditure was unforeseen until after the last day on which it was practicable to provide for it in the Bills for these Acts, before those Bills were introduced into the House of Representatives.
- 2) These Acts have effect as if Schedules 2 were amended, in accordance with a determination of the Finance Minister, to make provision for so much (if any) of the additional expenditure as the Finance Minister determines.
  - 3) The total of the amounts determined under these sections cannot be more than \$215 million.
  - 4) The Finance Minister must give the Parliament details of amounts determined under these sections.

The August 1979 Report of the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Government Operations entitled *The Advance to the Minister for Finance* recommended the monthly tabling of a statement of approved issues from the Advance. In accordance with the undertaking given by the Government in its response to that recommendation, monthly statements of issues from the Advance have been tabled in Parliament since May 1981.

This report discloses those issues that remained as a final charge to the Advance as at 30 June 2002, and related expenditure for the year ended 30 June 2002.

**NOTES:**

1. Cents have been omitted and each amount in this Statement is shown to the nearer dollar. Amounts may therefore not add to the totals because of rounding.
2. Issue amounts are the net balance of the issues — that is, the total amount of all issues less any funds recovered or returned.

# ABSTRACT

## ISSUES FROM THE ADVANCE TO THE FINANCE MINISTER AS A FINAL CHARGE

### Appropriation Acts (Nos. 1 and 3) 2001-2002 — \$114,268,705

Page No.	Portfolio	Issues from the Advance to the Finance Minister	Expenditure
		\$	\$
5	Employment and Workplace Relations	15,036,036	9,360,218
5	Foreign Affairs and Trade	35,513,162	35,503,730
5	Health and Ageing	4,868,882	4,868,882
6	Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	2,713,000	2,713,000
6	Industry, Tourism and Resources	32,853,709	32,853,709
6	Prime Minister and Cabinet	21,433,916	21,433,916
6	Transport and Regional Services	1,850,000	1,738,000
		<b>114,268,705</b>	<b>108,471,455</b>

# ABSTRACT

## ISSUES FROM THE ADVANCE TO THE FINANCE MINISTER AS A FINAL CHARGE

**Appropriation Acts (Nos. 2 and 4) 2001-2002 — \$60,408,532**

Page No.	Portfolio	Issues from the Advance to the Finance Minister	Expenditure
		\$	\$
7	Prime Minister and Cabinet	7,379,000	7,379,000
7	Transport and Regional Services	570,000	570,000
7	Treasury	52,459,532	52,459,532
		<b>60,408,532</b>	<b>60,408,532</b>

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## **ISSUES FROM THE ADVANCE TO THE FINANCE MINISTER AS A FINAL CHARGE**

### **Appropriation Acts (Nos. 1 and 3) 2001-2002 — \$114,268,705**

Portfolio/Agency	Issues from the Advance to the Finance Minister	Expenditure
	\$	\$
<b>Employment and Workplace Relations</b>		
<b>Department of Employment and Workplace Relations</b>		
Administered Expenses – Outcome 2		
Flexible and fair workplace relations at the enterprise level	15,036,036	9,360,218
<b>Total: Employment and Workplace Relations</b>	<b>15,036,036</b>	<b>9,360,218</b>
<b>Foreign Affairs and Trade</b>		
<b>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</b>		
Administered Expenses — Outcome 1		
Australia's national interests protected and advanced through contributions to international security, national economic and trade performance and global cooperation	35,493,043	35,493,043
Administered Expenses — Outcome 2		
Australians informed about and provided access to consular and passport services in Australia and overseas	20,119	10,687
<b>Total: Foreign Affairs and Trade</b>	<b>35,513,162</b>	<b>35,503,730</b>
<b>Health and Ageing</b>		
<b>Department of Health and Ageing</b>		
Administered Expenses — Outcome 6		
To reduce the consequence of hearing loss for eligible clients and the incidence of hearing loss in the broader community	4,868,882	4,868,882
<b>Total: Health and Ageing</b>	<b>4,868,882</b>	<b>4,868,882</b>



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### Appropriation Acts (Nos. 1 and 3) 2001-2002 — \$114,268,705

Portfolio/Agency	Issues from the Advance to the Finance Minister	Expenditure
	\$	\$
<b>Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs</b>		
<b>Migration Review Tribunal</b>		
Departmental Outputs — Outcome 1		
Contribute to ensuring that the administrative decisions of Government are correct and preferable in relation to non-humanitarian entrants	2,713,000	2,713,000
<b>Total: Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs</b>	<b>2,713,000</b>	<b>2,713,000</b>
<b>Industry, Tourism and Resources</b>		
<b>Department of Industry Tourism and Resources</b>		
Administered Expenses — Outcome 2		
Enhanced economic and social benefits through a strengthened national system of science and innovation	32,853,709	32,853,709
<b>Total: Industry, Tourism and Resources</b>	<b>32,853,709</b>	<b>32,853,709</b>
<b>Prime Minister and Cabinet</b>		
<b>Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet</b>		
Departmental Outputs – Outcome 1		
Sound and well coordinated government policies, programmes and decision making processes	21,433,916	21,433,916
<b>Total: Prime Minister and Cabinet</b>	<b>21,433,916</b>	<b>21,433,916</b>
<b>Transport and Regional Services</b>		
<b>Australian Maritime Safety Authority</b>		
Administered Expenses — Outcome 1		
A better transport system for Australia and greater recognition and opportunities for local, regional and territory communities	1,850,000	1,738,000
<b>Total: Transport and Regional Services</b>	<b>1,850,000</b>	<b>1,738,000</b>

## **ISSUES FROM THE ADVANCE TO THE FINANCE MINISTER AS A FINAL CHARGE**

### **Appropriation Acts (Nos. 2 and 4) 2001-2002 — \$60,408,532**

Portfolio/Agency	Issues from the Advance to the Finance Minister	Expenditure
	\$	\$
<b>Prime Minister and Cabinet</b>		
<b>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</b>		
Specific Payments to the States and Territories — Outcome 1		
Sound and well coordinated government policies, programmes and decision making processes	7,379,000	7,379,000
<b>Total: Prime Minister and Cabinet</b>	<b>7,379,000</b>	<b>7,379,000</b>
<b>Transport and Regional Services</b>		
<b>Stevedoring Industry Finance Committee</b>		
Equity Injections	570,000	570,000
<b>Total: Transport and Regional Services</b>	<b>570,000</b>	<b>570,000</b>
<b>Treasury</b>		
<b>Department of the Treasury</b>		
Specific Payments to the States and Territories — Outcome 2		
Effective government spending and taxation arrangements	52,459,532	52,459,532
<b>Total: Treasury</b>	<b>52,459,532</b>	<b>52,459,532</b>