

Parliamentary Standing Committee of Public Accounts

Federal Hotels Agreement Inquiry

Terms of Reference

The Standing Committee of Public Accounts has received a reference from the Legislative Council to investigate and report upon:

- (a) The new Deed between the Government and Federal Hotels and its return to taxpayers;
- (b) Issues related to transparency in the negotiation of the Deed;
- (c) Issues relating to the quality of the deal extracted by the Government in the Deed:
- (d) The non-competitive nature of the negotiation of the Deed; and
- (e) Any other issues relevant to the Deed.

It should be noted that a Select Committee of the Legislative Council has recently reported on the Impact of Gaming Machines (www.parliament.tas.gov.au/Comm/Gaming.htm) and it is not the intention of this Committee to further examine that matter.

Interested individuals and organizations are invited to make written submissions specifically addressing the Terms of Reference which should be lodged by 14 July 2003 with: The Secretary, Public Accounts Committee, Parliament House, HOBART, TAS, 7000 or email: pac@parliament.tas.gov.au.

Submissions become Committee documents and are made public only after a decision by the Committee. Persons making submissions must not release them without the approval of the Committee. Submissions are protected by parliamentary privilege but the unauthorised release of them is not. The Committee encourages the lodgement of submissions in electronic form. Emailed submissions must include name phone number and postal address. Guidelines the preparation of a submission are available on the Internet at http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/, or by phoning the Secretary on 6233 2288 or 6233 2365.

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