

PART A

USER GUIDE

Purpose of the PAES

The purpose of the Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements (PAES) like that of the Portfolio Budget Statements presented in May 1999, is to inform Senators and Members of the reasons for inclusion of proposed provisions in Appropriation Bills 3 and 4.

Structure of the PAES

The PAES comprises three parts and a glossary.

PART A sets out the purpose of the PAES and explains the structure of the document.

PART B explains the role of the department and its portfolio agencies and provides details of major additional estimates and variations at a portfolio level.

PART C explains the additional annual appropriations being sought by the portfolio, and is dissected by agencies seeking additional appropriations. It includes a summary of the additional estimates being sought and a reconciliation of additional estimates in the Appropriation Bills 3 and 4 to the portfolio's outputs.

The GLOSSARY describes abbreviations and technical terms including a list of acronyms used in this document.

Style conventions used in this document

The style convention used in this document is to round the amounts to the nearest \$'000.

Estimates are in out-turned prices unless otherwise stated.

Acronyms are used when referring to agencies within the portfolio, please refer to the Glossary.