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**1 MEETING OF SENATE**

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 27 February 2001, the Senate met at 10 am in the Legislative Council Chamber, Parliament House, Melbourne. The President (Senator the Honourable Margaret Reid) took the chair and read prayers.

2 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—MEMBERS—STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT

The President made a statement thanking the members of the Legislative Council for making their chamber available to the Senate to commemorate the first sitting of the Senate, and, with the concurrence of honourable senators, invited the President of the Legislative Council, the Honourable Bruce Chamberlain, to take a seat on the floor of the chamber.

3 DEATH OF MEMBER PETER EDWARD NUGENT

The President informed the Senate of the death, on 24 April 2001, of Peter Edward Nugent, a member of the House of Representatives for the division of Aston since 1990.

All senators present stood in silence as a mark of respect.

4 CENTENARY OF FIRST MEETINGS OF PARLIAMENT

The President, the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Hill), the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Faulkner) and the Leader of the Australian Democrats (Senator Stott Despoja) addressed the meeting.

5 ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 27 February 2001, the Senate adjourned at 10.48 am till Tuesday, 22 May 2001 at 2 pm.

6 ATTENDANCE

Present, all senators.

HARRY EVANS
Clerk of the Senate