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**Senator McLUCAS** (Queensland—Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Carers and Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister) (20:16): I present the government's response to the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade on its review of the *Defence annual report 2010-11* and seek leave to have the document incorporated in *Hansard*.

Leave granted.

*The document read as follows—*

**Australian Government response to the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade report:**

**Review of the Defence Annual Report 2010-2011**

**February 2013**

**Recommendation 1**

A Strategic Reform Program (SRP) Summary Chapter be added to the Defence Annual Report to provide a consolidated overview of the SRP.

**Government Response**

**Agreed in part**

Defence has partially met this recommendation by providing the top-level representation of SRP results for the year in the appendix. Defence has retained the integrity of the Defence Annual Report construct of outcomes, output group and programs. Thus the SRP performance is reflected within each of these elements. Future Defence Annual Reports will be structured in a similar way.