

AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL EXCHANGE COUNCIL

NINTH DELEGATION FROM THE PHILIPPINES

21 MARCH – 27 MARCH 2015

Sydney, New South Wales

- Guided Tour of the Sydney Opera House
- Briefing by Ms Anne Jalando-on Louis, Consul-General and Mr Marford M. Angeles, Consul, Consulate of the Philippines, New South Wales
- Visit to The Rocks
- Visit to Bondi Beach
- Guided tour of Featherdale Wildlife Park
- Briefing by the Australian Electoral Commission
- Meeting with Councillor Lucille McKenna, Mayor of Ashfield; Councillor Darcy Byrne, Ward: Wangal (Rozelle-Lilyfield) (China 2014) and Ms Vanessa Chan, General Manager of Ashfield Council

Canberra, Australian Capital Territory

- Briefing on the Australia-Philippines Collaboration in Natural Hazard Risk Assessment by Mr Matthew Jakob, Philippines Activity Leader, Community Safety Group and Dr Andrew Jones, Section Leader, Regional Risk, International Group, Geoscience Australia
- Briefing on the Liberal Party of Australia by Mr Bruce Edwards, International Secretary, Liberal Party of Australia (Japan 1992)
- Briefing on the Australian Labor Party by Mr Sebastian Zwalf, A/g National Secretary, Australian Labor Party (UK 2013)
- Briefing on The Nationals by Mr Scott Mitchell, Federal Director, The Nationals (USA 2000)
- Luncheon hosted by Ms Nina Cainglet, Minister and Consul General; and Mr Jim San-Agustin, First Secretary and Consul, Embassy of the Philippines
- Briefing with Dr Nick Austin, Chief Executive Officer; Dr Peter Horne, General Manager, Country Programs and Dr Richard Markham, Research Program Manager, Horticulture, Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research
- Meeting with Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson, Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC, Special Minister of State, Minister with portfolio responsibility for the Australian Political Exchange Programme; Senator for Victoria (USA 1991)
- Former Delegate dinner with guests:
 - Mr Chris Daffey, Advisor to the Hon Warren Truss, Deputy Prime Minister, Leader of the Nationals, Federal Member for Wide Bay (Philippines 2014),
 - Mr Lachlan McNaughton, Assistant Adviser, Office of the Hon Kelly O'Dwyer MP, Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer, Federal Member for Higgins (Philippines 2014),
 - Ms Georgia Goldsworthy, Assistant Adviser, Office of Senator the Hon Penny Wong, Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, Senator for South Australia (Philippines 2014), and

- Mr Evan Mulholland, Assistant Adviser, Office of Senator the Hon Mitch Fifield, Assistant Minister for Social Services, Manager of Government Business in the Senate, Senator for Victoria (Philippines 2014).
- Meeting with the Hon Julie Collins MP, Shadow Minister for Regional Development and Local Government, Federal Member for Franklin
- Meeting with the Hon Mark Butler MP, Shadow Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Water, Federal Member for Port Adelaide (China 2006)
- Briefing on the Australian Greens by Senator Richard Di Natale, Council Member, Senator for Victoria
- Council Luncheon hosted by the Hon Alan Ferguson, Chairman of the Australian Political Exchange Council with guests:
 - Hon Tony Smith MP, Council Member, Federal Member for Casey
 - Senator Richard Di Natale, Council Member, Senator for Victoria
 - Mr Andrew Laming MP, Federal Member for Bowman
- Observe Question Time in the House of Representatives Chamber
- Observe Question Time in the Senate Chamber
- Meeting with Mr Kane Silom, Advisor, Office of the Hon Brue Billson MP, Minister for Small Business, Federal Member for Dunkley (Vietnam 2013)
- Call on the Hon Bronwyn Bishop MP, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Patron of the Australian Political Exchange Council, Federal Member for Mackellar

Adelaide, South Australia

- Meeting with the Hon Michelle Lensink MLC, Deputy Liberal Leader of the Legislative Council, Shadow Minister for Sustainability, Environment and Conservation, Shadow Minister for Water and the River Murray, Shadow Minister for the Status of Women, Member of the Legislative Council (Vietnam 2001)
- Briefing by Ms Aida Garcia, President of the Filipino Communities Council of Australia
- Observe Question Time in The House of Assembly Chamber
- Observe Question Time in the Legislative Council Chamber
- Discussion opportunity with Mr Phil Frensham of the Economic and Finance Committee
- Former Delegate dinner with Mr Michael van Dissel, Former Federal President of the Young Liberal Movement of Australia (Philippines 2012)