AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL EXCHANGE COUNCIL

SEVENTEENTH DELEGATION FROM THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

22 - 28 JUNE 2013

The Wollongong/Shellharbour program was developed with the assistance of Cr Marianne Saliba (Japan 1997).

Wollongong/Shellharbour, New South Wales

- Meeting with Mr Stephen Jones MP, Federal Member for Throsby (Japan 2011)
- Briefing and city tour by Ms Diane Johnston, Manager Shellharbour Tourism
- Aboriginal Heritage talk by Ms Veronica Bird, Shellharbour City Aboriginal Liaison Officer
- Meeting with Ms Belinda McKinnon and Ms Janet Carrigan, TAFE Illawarra and tour of Early Childhood and Nursing Departments
- Dinner with Cr John Murray, Shellharbour City Council and Cr Vicki Curran, Wollongong City Council
- Briefing by Mr Michael Willis, General Manager, Shellharbour City Council
- Luncheon hosted by Shellharbour City Council with Mr Michael Willis, Cr Paul Rankin, Mr Bruce Green and Ms Lisa Davey

Canberra, Australian Capital Territory

- Briefing by the Australian Electoral Commission
- Briefing on the Liberal Party of Australia by Mr Bruce Edwards, International Secretary (Japan 1992)
- Briefing on The Nationals by Mr Scott Mitchell, Federal Director (USA 2000)
- Briefing on the Australian Greens by Senator Sarah Hanson-Young, Senator for South Australia, Council Member (USA 2012)
- Briefing on the Australian Labor Party by Mr Nathan Lambert, Assistant National Secretary
- Meeting with Mr Luke Hartsuyker MP, Shadow Minister for Youth and Sport, Shadow Minister for Regional Communications, Deputy Manager of Opposition Business in the House, Federal Member for Cowper (Japan 2005)
- Dinner with former delegates Mr Kane Silom (Vietnam 2013), Ms Mary Andrew (Vietnam 2013) and Mr Bart Mellish (Vietnam 2013)
- Meeting with the Hon Julie Bishop MP, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, Shadow Minister for Trade, Federal Member for Curtin (Germany 1999)
- Meeting with the Hon Bruce Billson MP, Shadow Minister for Small Business, Competition Policy and Consumer Affairs, Federal Member for Dunkley (UK 1999)
- Council Luncheon hosted by Mr Paul Neville MP, The Nationals' Whip, Federal Member for Hinkler, Council Member. Guests included the Hon Kevin Andrews MP, Council Member (UK 2001), Senator the Hon John Faulkner, Council Member, Mr Bruce Edwards (Japan 1992) and Mr Sebastian Zwalf
- Question Time in the House of Representatives and the Senate
- Courtesy call on Senator the Hon John Hogg, President of the Senate, Patron of the Council

Melbourne, Victoria

- Briefing on Government and Parliamentary processes by Mr Wayne Tunnecliffe, Clerk of the Legislative Council, Victoria
- Guided tour of Parliament of Victoria
- Question Time in the Legislative Council

- Luncheon hosted by the Hon Bruce Atkinson MLC, President of the Legislative Council and the Hon Ken Smith MP, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Victoria. Guests included Mr Wayne Tunnecliffe and Mr Ray Purdey
- Briefing by Ms Shannon Threlfall-Clarke, President, Victorian Young Labor
- Dinner hosted by the Hon Robert Ray, Chairman of the Council. Guests included
 Ms Catherine Davis (Vietnam 2011), Mr Emanuele Cicchiello (Vietnam 2003), Mr Jason
 Aldworth (Vietnam 2004, South Korea 2005), Ms Samantha Russell (Japan 2013), Mr Rick
 Garotti (Philippines 2012) and Ms Rosemary Barker (Vietnam 1998)