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Overview for 2015–16

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THE PORTFOLIO

As at 30 June 2016, the portfolio comprised one department of state, seven non-corporate Commonwealth entities, eight corporate Commonwealth entities, and three Commonwealth companies under the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (PGPA Act). The portfolio also included other statutory office holders and bodies.

Department of state

- ◆ Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Non-corporate Commonwealth entities

- ◆ Australian National Audit Office
- ◆ Australian Public Service Commission
- ◆ Digital Transformation Office
- ◆ Office of National Assessments
- ◆ Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman
- ◆ Office of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security
- ◆ Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

Corporate Commonwealth entities

- ◆ Anindilyakwa Land Council
- ◆ Central Land Council
- ◆ Indigenous Business Australia
- ◆ Indigenous Land Corporation
- ◆ Northern Land Council
- ◆ Tiwi Land Council
- ◆ Torres Strait Regional Authority
- ◆ Wreck Bay Aboriginal Community Council

Commonwealth companies

- ◆ Aboriginal Hostels Ltd
- ◆ National Australia Day Council
- ◆ Outback Stores Pty Ltd



Photo 1.1 Djelk Women Rangers, Felina Campion and Bobbie Sheena Wilson, and Djelk Women Rangers Coordinator Tina Yeganeh meet with the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Deputy Secretary, Richard Eccles, and the Assistant Secretary for the Environment Branch, Brant Smith, at the department's Working on Country Photography Competition Exhibition Launch - the Djelk Women Rangers were the winners of this competition for 2016, and came all the way from Maningrida to receive their prize. Photograph by Tharman Saverimuttu.

Other statutory office holders and bodies

- ◆ Executive Director of Township Leasing
- ◆ The Aboriginal Land Commissioner
- ◆ Registrar of Indigenous Corporations
- ◆ Independent National Security Legislation Monitor
- ◆ Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal
- ◆ Remuneration Tribunal

Our Ministers

As at 30 June 2016, the portfolio had the following Ministers and Assistant Ministers:

- ◆ The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP, Prime Minister
- ◆ Senator the Hon Nigel Scullion, Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- ◆ Senator the Hon Michaelia Cash, Minister for Women, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service
- ◆ Senator the Hon Arthur Sinodinos AO, Cabinet Secretary
- ◆ The Hon Michael Keenan MP, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Counter Terrorism
- ◆ Senator the Hon James McGrath, Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister
- ◆ The Hon Angus Taylor MP, Assistant Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation
- ◆ The Hon Dr Peter Hendy MP, Assistant Cabinet Secretary

THE DEPARTMENT

Role and functions

The department advises the Prime Minister, the Cabinet, Portfolio Ministers, Assistant Ministers, and the Government as a whole and ensures government decisions are implemented. PM&C coordinates cross-portfolio efforts to advance Australia's interests, prosperity and success. The department aims to help develop the capabilities of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to improve their living standards and wellbeing. The responsibilities of the department at 30 June 2016 are set out in the Administrative Arrangements Order as amended on 18 February 2016. Since the previous reporting period matters dealt with by PM&C were expanded to include:

- ◆ whole of government service delivery policy (administered by the Digital Transformation Office)
- ◆ public data policy and related matters
- ◆ national policy on cities
- ◆ population policy.

Structure

As at 30 June 2016 PM&C had four groups: Domestic Policy; National Security and International Policy; Governance; and Indigenous Affairs. Details on each Group's role are provided below. In addition to the National Office, the department has 33 offices and an in-community presence in another 60 locations across Australia.

Domestic Policy Group

The Domestic Policy Group supports the development of economic, environmental, social and urban policies. It coordinates the implementation of a whole of government regulatory reform agenda, and supports the Government's priorities for gender equality and the empowerment of women. The group coordinates the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) arrangements, and provides advice and support for the Budget process. The group coordinates whole of government service delivery policy (administered by the Digital Transformation Office), public data policy and national policy on cities.

National Security and International Policy Group

The National Security and International Policy Group provides advice on Australia's foreign policy, trade and aid interests; the Prime Minister's engagement with foreign counterparts and business leaders; international commemorative events; treaty matters; defence; intelligence; non-proliferation; counter-terrorism; law enforcement; information sharing; cyber policy; border security and crisis management; and coordinates the foreign affairs, trade and national security aspects of the Budget.

Governance Group

The Governance Group provides advice on legal policy, parliamentary and government matters and honours and symbols policy. In addition it provides support services to the Prime Minister, the Cabinet, Cabinet committees, and the department's Portfolio Ministers and Assistant Ministers. The group delivers the department's enabling and support functions and also oversees the implementation and ongoing delivery of key Government programmes, policies and initiatives.

Indigenous Affairs Group

The Indigenous Affairs Group is responsible for most Commonwealth Indigenous-specific policy and programmes. The group works with other Commonwealth departments, state and territory governments, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations, and peak bodies to achieve the Government's priorities of getting adults into jobs, getting children into school, and making communities safer. The group includes the department's Regional Network that works in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities and other stakeholders to develop and implement tailored and innovative local solutions. The PM&C Regional Network has more than 500 staff in over 90 locations across the country. These staff routinely visit more than an additional 200 communities.

Senior executive

As at 30 June 2016 the department’s senior executive was as follows:

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| Secretary | Dr Martin Parkinson PSM |
| Associate Secretary, Indigenous Affairs | Mr Andrew Tongue PSM |
| Deputy Secretary, Economic and G20 Sherpa | Dr David Gruen |
| Deputy Secretary, Social Policy | Ms Alison Larkins |
| Deputy Secretary, Innovation and Transformation | Dr Steven Kennedy PSM |
| Deputy Secretary, Governance | Ms Elizabeth Kelly PSM |
| Deputy Secretary, National Security | Mr Allan McKinnon |
| Special Adviser to the Prime Minister on Cyber Security | Mr Alastair MacGibbon |
| Commonwealth Counter-Terrorism Coordinator | Mr Greg Moriarty |
| Deputy Secretary, Indigenous Affairs | Mr Richard Eccles |

Further information on the organisational structure including divisional and branch structure and responsibilities is available on www.dpmc.gov.au or by contacting the department.

Outcome and programme structure

For 2015–16 the department worked to achieve two outcomes through the delivery of seven programmes. The link between the outcome and programme framework in the Portfolio Budget Statements (PBS) and Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements (PAES) for 2015–16 and the purpose statements in the Corporate Plan 2015–19 is set out in Figure 1.1. The department’s annual performance statement outlining the delivery of this framework is at Part 2 of this report.

Figure 1.1 PM&C’s outcome and programme framework

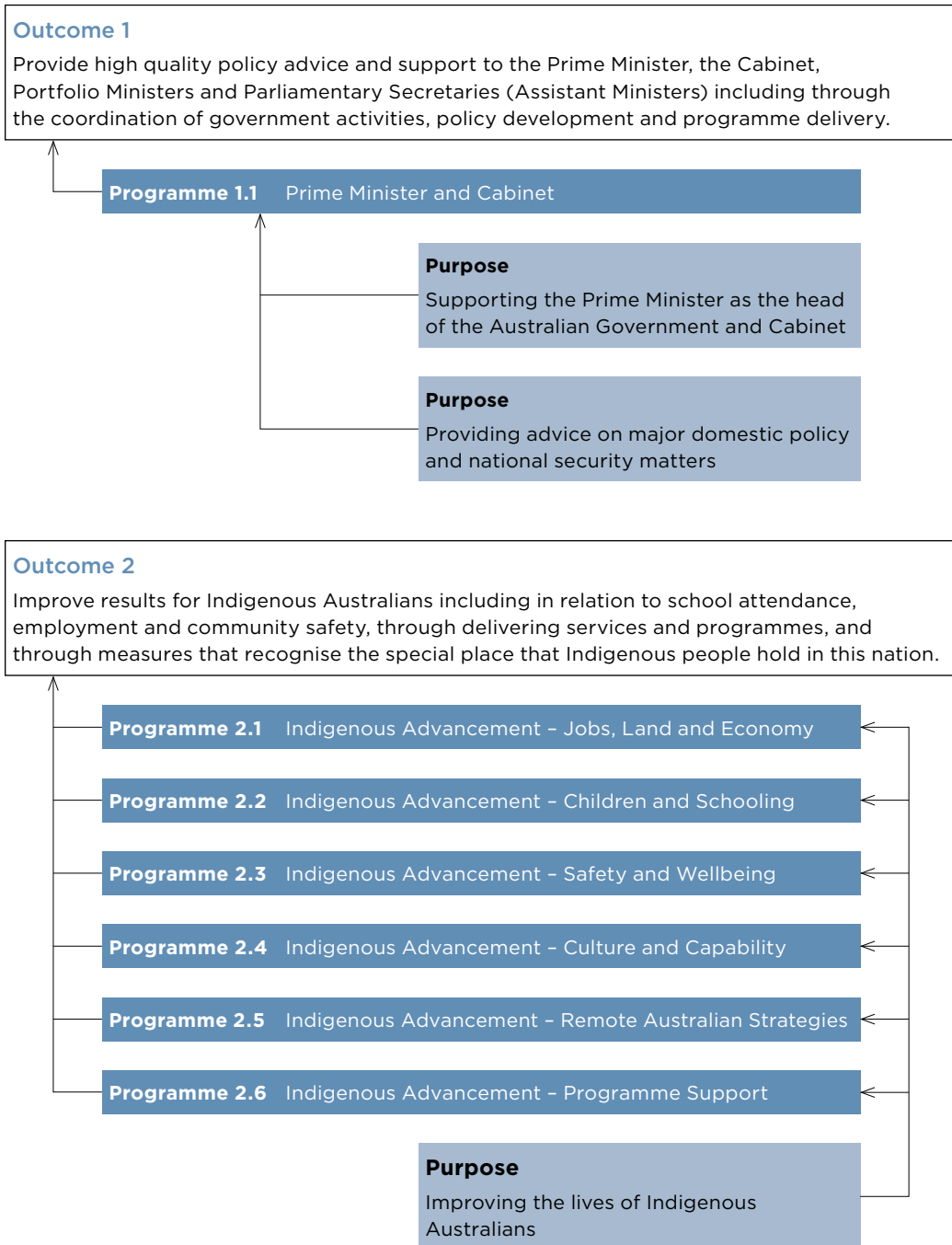




Photo 1.2 Flag on top of Parliament House
photographed by David Foote – AUSPIC/DPS.