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NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR: Chemistry

CHAIR: Prof. Chris Easton FAA

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MEETINGS OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE MET ON:

31 January 2008, at Ian Potter House

THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS ARE PROPOSED FOR 2009 (include date and place, if possible):

Late January/early February 2009, at Ian Potter House

Other meetings to be arranged, as teleconferences and/or in conjunction with Royal Australian Chemical Institute Meetings

MEETINGS OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS AFFILIATED WITH ICSU

IN 2008 THERE WAS A GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF (include date and place):

Not applicable

IN 2009 THERE WILL BE A GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF (include date and place):

IUPAC (International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry) in Glasgow, Scotland, 1-9 August

The next GENERAL ASSEMBLY/CONGRESS will then be held in 2011

I RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL THE FOLLOWING VOTING AUSTRALIAN
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AUSTRALIAN OFFICE HOLDERS IN ICSU AND AFFILIATED BODIES

AUSTRALIANS WHO HELD OFFICE IN 2008 WERE:

(include all appointed/elected memberships of subsidiary bodies, standing committees, commissions etc. as well as appointments to Bureau/Executive positions in the governing body).

PERSON	INTERNATIONAL BODY	POSITION	TERM OF OFFICE
Prof. David StC. Black	IUPAC	Secretary General	2008-
Prof. Warren Beasley	IUPAC	Member CCE	2008-
Prof. Tony Wright	IUPAC	Nat. Rep. CCE	2008-
Prof. Leslie Glasser	IUPAC	Chair CPEP	2008-
Prof. Clive Prestidge	IUPAC	A/Memb. Div.1 (Phys)	2008-
Prof. Franz Grieser	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.1 (Phys)	2008-
Prof. Warren Lawrence	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.1 (Phys)	2008-
Dr. Leanna Read	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.1 (Phys)	2008-
Prof. Robert D. Loss	IUPAC	Member Div.2 (Inorg)	2008-
Dr. John R. de Laeter	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.2 (Inorg)	2008-
Prof. Kevin Rosman	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.2 (Inorg)	2008-
Prof. Mary Garson	IUPAC	Member Div.3 (Org)	2008-
Prof. Ken Ghiggino	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.3 (Org)	2008-
Prof. Andrew Whittaker	IUPAC	Nat. Rep. Div.4 (Polm)	2008-
Dr. Graeme Moad	IUPAC	Nat. Rep. Div.4 (Polm)	2008-
Prof. Chris Barner-Kowlik	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.4 (Polm)	2008-
Prof. Robert Glibert	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.4 (Polm)	2008-
Prof. Brynn Hibbert	IUPAC	Member Div.5 (Anal)	2008-
Prof. Erich Konigsberger	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.5 (Anal)	2008-
Dr. Melissa Fitzgerald	IUPAC	Nat. Rep. Div.6 (Env)	2008-
Mr. Dennis Hamilton	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.6 (Env)	2008-
Mr. Graham Roberts	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.6 (Env)	2008-
Prof. John Bremner	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.7 (Health)	2008-
Prof. Len Lindoy	IUPAC	Nat. Rep. Div.8 (Nomen)	2008-
Prof. John Ralston	IUPAC	Member, SCDiv.8 (Nomen)	2008-

THE FOLLOWING NOMINATIONS WILL BE MADE IN 2008:

PERSON	INTERNATIONAL BODY	POSITION	TERM OF OFFICE
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All of the above appointments continue until the 2009 Glasgow meeting and many will be extended at that time. Other nominations will be made as opportunities arise.

ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE – Please include comments on progress achieved on projected activities identified in your 2008 Business Plan. 2008 Business plans can be viewed at www.science.org.au/natcoms

Go to <http://www.science.org.au/reports/2008anrep.htm> p20, to view the Chairs' Reports on 2007 activities.

I SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING REPORT TO COUNCIL ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE IN calendar year 2008 (200-250 words):

The Committee has continued to interact with the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC). Professor David Black, a member of the Committee, is IUPAC Secretary General. The major activity in this area has been to promote 2011 as the International Year of Chemistry. It is expected that this will be formally ratified before the 2009 IUPAC General Assembly and that planning activities for the International Year of Chemistry will then be a major focus of discussion at the Assembly.

The Committee has continued to seek ways to work more effectively with the Royal Australian Chemical Institute (RACI). Nominations for the IUPAC Prize for Young Chemists are coordinated through the RACI. The President of RACI is an *ex officio* member of the Committee.

During 2008, the Committee also considered ideas for symposia based on water recycling and quality, and chemical security; continued to provide support for conference activities in Australia; and pursued efforts to initiate IUPAC's Company Associates Program in Australia.

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