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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE FOR

The Hon Bob McMullan



The Hon Bob McMullan MP, Member for Fraser (Australian Capital Territory) was born and educated in Perth, Western Australia. In 1975 Bob became Secretary of the WA Branch of the Australian Labor Party (ALP). In August 1981 he was elected National Secretary of the ALP and moved with his family to Canberra. In February 1988 Bob was sworn in as Senator for the Australian Capital Territory. He went on to serve as a Cabinet Minister in the Keating Government, including a period as Minister for Trade.

Following a redistribution in the House of Representatives, Bob stood for the seat of Canberra in 1996 and was elected. He then served in various shadow portfolio areas. Following a further redistribution in 1998, Bob McMullan became Member for Fraser in the House of Representatives, a position he still holds today. Bob is currently the Parliamentary Secretary for International Development Assistance in the Rudd Labor Government. As Parliamentary Secretary for

International Development Assistance, Mr McMullan oversees the implementation of Australia's international development policy and is responsible for the day-to-day management of issues related to the aid program.

The Inaugural Australian THE SIR JOHN CRAWFORD MEMORIAL ADDRESS

2009 is the 25th anniversary of the death of Sir John Crawford, a remarkable Australian who contributed at the highest levels to the development of Australia and other countries, and was a passionate supporter of international agricultural research for development.

From 2009, the Crawford Conference will include a Memorial Address by a leading figure in international development. The subject and content of the lecture is left to the discretion of the chosen speaker but it is expected that it will be on a major issue of international development.

The Hon Bob McMullan MP will present the inaugural Australian address in 2009.

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