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World Youth Day 2008– Adjustment to Business Hours at Queens Square on Thursday 17 July and Friday 18 July 2008

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The World Youth Day (WYD) event will take place in Sydney from Tuesday 15 July to Sunday 20 July 2008. The Department of Lands has received advice from the World Youth Day Coordination Authority (WYDCA) regarding the expected impact of the event the Queens Square area. The arrival of the Pope and associated motorcade on Thursday 17 July and re-enactments of the Stations of the Cross on Friday 18 July are expected to attract a significant influx of pedestrians to the area that may impede access. As a result, it has been decided that the Department's Queens Square building will close to the public at 12.00 noon on Thursday 17 July and Friday 18 July 2008.

This means that LPI lodgment facilities and property information services provided over the counter at Queens Square will only be available from **8:30am to 12.00 noon** on these days. Normal business hours will apply during the other days of the event, but points of access to the building will be affected.

Changed traffic vehicle and pedestrian arrangements around Macquarie Street, Prince Albert Road and Art Gallery Road will commence on the evening of Monday 14 July. These changes will effectively create a single pedestrian access point at the junction of Martin Place and Macquarie Street for those wishing to attend LPI. There will be no direct access to LPI from Hyde Park.

Please visit our website <u>www.lands.nsw.gov.au</u> and click on 'What's New' for a map of the changed vehicle and pedestrian traffic arrangements affecting access to Queens Square. Further information regarding local road closures can be found at <u>World Youth Day traffic arrangements</u>.

Usual on line search services will be available from the Lands website at <u>https://lpi-online.lpi.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/lpis/menu.pl</u> or our network of information brokers <u>https://lpi-online.lpi.nsw.gov.au/lpsearch/brokers.html</u> throughout the WYD event.

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