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DEFENCE SUB-COMMITTEE —

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE

Inquiry into the Defence Annual Report 2015-16

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Review of the Defence Annual Report 2015-16

The Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade has commenced an inquiry into the Department of Defence Annual Report 2015-16.

The Chair of the Defence Sub-Committee, Senator Linda Reynolds CSC (WA), said the review of the Defence Annual Report was part of the oversight role performed by the Committee.

“Defence is a large, complex department undergoing a range of major reforms and undertaking some significant capability acquisitions,” Senator Reynolds said.

“The review provides an opportunity for Members and Senators to examine the performance of Defence in achieving the outcomes set by Government. Conducted annually, the reviews enable the Committee to take evidence from the Department on its progress in implementing the strategic reform programs and other matters across the life of the 45th Parliament.”

For this review, the Defence Sub-Committee has resolved to investigate a range of matters raised in the Defence Annual Report 2015-16, including:

- Status of ADF operations
- Status of the implementation of strategic programs
- Capability development and major projects
- Personnel matters

The detailed list of topics for examination is available on the Committee’s website below.

The Sub-Committee is keen to hear from organisations and individuals who may wish to provide a submission on the Defence Annual Report 2015-16 and, specifically, the topics identified. The Sub-Committee will receive written submissions until Wednesday, 1 February 2017.

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