Following the recent FADT Senate Hearing, Senator J. Lambie asked the following QoN -

"Does the Defence Force Welfare Association, or any of its state branches, receive funding from DVA or Defence?"

In the financial year 2019/2020:

- a. DFWA National Office received \$8,275.00 Grant-in-Aid (GiA). GiA is to support cooperation and communications between the ex-service community.
- b. DFWA Queensland Branch received a BEST Grant of \$2,702.32. BEST Grants are to support the provision of compensation and welfare assistance. DFWA Queensland Branch has an active advocacy office. The other DFWA state branches no longer provide direct advocacy support but refer onto ESOs that do so.
- c. DFWA National or its state branches do not receive any funding or support from Defence.

Other than these funds DFWA supports its activities through membership and fundraising.

Yours sincerely,

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