



PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA

**Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade**  
**Defence Sub-Committee**

*Chair: Senator David Fawcett*  
*Deputy: The Hon Alan Griffin MP*

**MEDIA ALERT**

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## **Cultural reform and military justice included in review of Defence Annual Report**

Senior officials of the Department of Defence and the Returned & Services League of Australia will give evidence for a review of the Defence Annual Report 2013 -14 being undertaken by the Defence Sub-Committee of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade. A public hearing will be held on Friday, 5 June 2014.

For this review, the Defence Sub-Committee will primarily focus on the following matters raised in the Defence Annual Report 2013 -14:

- Personnel matters
  - Critical categories of employment
  - Recruiting and employment of women
  - Cultural reform and the Pathway to Change
  - Reserve policy
  - Project Suakin
- Military Justice
- First Principles Review
- The 2015 White Paper and Force Structure Review
- Capability Development and Major Projects, such as LAND 400
- Follow-up items from previous review of the Defence Annual Report 2012 -13:
  - Implementation of Coles Report recommendations
  - Review of recommendations from previous Review of Defence Annual Report 2012 -13, including transparency of reporting

The public hearing will be held on **Friday, 5 June 2015** at Parliament House in Committee Room **2R1 commencing at 9.00am**.

The proceedings will be broadcast live on: [www.aph.gov.au/live](http://www.aph.gov.au/live)

For a program and more details, visit the Committee's website: [www.aph.gov.au/jfadt](http://www.aph.gov.au/jfadt)

The Defence Annual Report 2013-14 is available online at:  
<http://www.defence.gov.au/annualreports/13-14/>

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