



**Senator the Hon David Johnston  
Minister for Defence**

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Dr Andrew Southcott MP  
Committee Chair  
Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Dr Southcott

On 28 March 2014, Mr David Brunoro, then Committee Secretary to the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit wrote to Mr Warren King Chief Executive Officer, Defence Materiel Organisation seeking further information on the Armidale Class Patrol Boats. This information is provided below as requested.

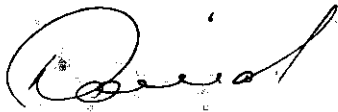
1. Project Name – **Armidale Class Patrol Boats**
2. Project Number – **SEA 1444 Ph1**
3. Current status (as per MPR PDSS Section 1.2) – **Project in process of closure**
4. Last year reported in MPR – **2012-13**
5. Government 1st Pass and 2nd Pass Approval (dates) – **This project was approved by Government in December 2003 (prior to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Pass approval process)**
6. Total approved budget – **\$537.2million**
7. Total expenditure – **\$488.5 million**
8. In-year budget – **\$0.117 million**
9. In-year expenditure – **\$0.115 million**
10. Remaining budget – **\$48.7 million**
11. Final Materiel Release (date forecast/achieved) – **November 2007**
12. Final Operational Capability (date forecast/achieved) – **October 2012**
13. Major risks and issues (as per MPR PDSS Section 6.2) – **All project acquisition risks have been retired**

For further information please contact:

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I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



David Johnston

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