



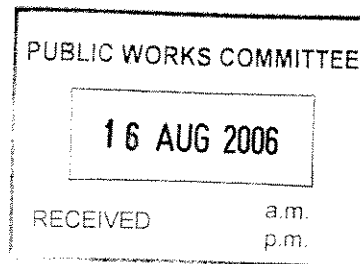
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Dear Mr Sherd,

**DEVELOPMENT OF CANINE KENELLING AND TRAINING FACILITIES FOR THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE AT MAJURA , ACT**

I refer to your letter of 11 July 2006 concerning the Australian Federal Police proposal for canine kenelling and training facilities at Majura.

Defence was briefed by the Australian Federal Police on the proposal contained in the AFP June 2006 Statement of Evidence to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on 4 July 2006. At the meeting the AFP noted that this development forms part of the broader Master Plan for the development of the AFP Majura precinct.

Defence supports the AFP kenelling and training proposal given AFP advice that the proposal will not impact on the Defence Majura Training Area (MTA) which abuts the AFP property to the east. The MTA is an essential 3,800 ha live-fire facility intensively used by all three Services, particularly the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) and the Royal Military College (RMC).

If you have any questions please contact my Assistant Director Mr Nicholas Covey on (02) 6266 8029.

Yours sincerely

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