



25 June 2012

Mr Robert Oakeshott MP  
Chairman  
Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit  
Suite R1.108  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Oakeshott

**JCPAA Report No. 429 (Major Projects Report) – Recommendations**

The Committee's recent report considering the 2010-11 Defence Materiel Organisation Major Projects Report made three recommendations, one of which concerns the Australian National Audit Office:

**Recommendation No. 2 paragraph 3.79**

“The Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit recommends that the Defence Materiel Organisation and the Australian National Audit Office continue to develop the Major Project Report Guidelines jointly but that the Australian National Audit Office take administrative responsibility for updating the Guidelines and submitting them to the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit annually”

I agree to this Recommendation. My staff have consulted with the Defence Materiel Organisation (DMO) prior to formulating our advice, and DMO has no objections to this approach. As agreed in previous years, we will provide updated Guidelines to the Committee by 31 August, following consultation with the DMO and in conjunction with the list of proposed projects for the 2012-13 Major Projects Report.

We thank the Committee for its interest in, and consideration of the 2010-11 Major Projects Report.

Yours sincerely

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