

Report 429 Recommendations and DMO Responses**JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT****REPORT 429: REVIEW OF THE 2010-11 DEFENCE MATERIEL ORGANISATION
MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT****RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DEFENCE****Recommendation 1**

The Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit recommends that the Defence Materiel Organisation include in the 2011-12 Major Projects Report a section specifically providing information on the activities being undertaken to minimise schedule slippage and the results of those activities.

Response: Agree

The Defence Materiel Organisation will include the section in the 2011-12 Major Projects Report.

Recommendation 2

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.

Response: Agree

The Defence Materiel Organisation supports the Committees recommendation to move administrative responsibility of the Guidelines to the Australian National Audit Office. The key to the success of the Major Project Report has been the adoption of a collaborative attitude in developing the Guidelines and the Defence Materiel Organisation will cooperate with the Australian National Audit Office to see this continue.

Recommendation 3

The Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit recommends that the Defence Materiel Organisation includes a discussion on the use by, and value of, the Major Projects Report by external stakeholders in the 2011-12 Major Projects Report.

Response: Agree

The Defence Materiel Organisation intends to contract an independent firm to conduct a survey of external stakeholders to assess use and value of the Major Projects Report. A summary of the findings will be published in the 2011-12 Major Project Report.