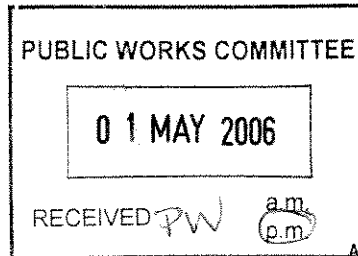


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**The Hon Judi Moylan MP  
Chair  
Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600**

Dear Ms Moylan

### **HMAS CAIRNS REDEVELOPMENT – SUPPLEMENTARY SUBMISSION**

I am writing in response to Submission No. 4 from the Cairns City Council in relation to the HMAS CAIRNS Redevelopment.

#### **Background**

The Committee's Inquiry Secretary forwarded to us a copy of Submission No. 4 by facsimile on 24 April 2006. In their submission, the Cairns City Council advises that the proposal requires the provision of adequate water supply and sewerage infrastructure, the payment of headwork contributions for increased loading on water supply and sewerage infrastructure, the need to place water supply, drainage and sewerage infrastructure in easements, the need to keep Draper Street functional as a collector road, and the need to demonstrate that the car parking spaces proposed for Lot 485 are sufficient in number.

#### **Supplementary Submission**

The proposed population of HMAS CAIRNS will not increase either demand on the water supply or load on the sewer system because the number of personnel will remain at a maximum of 1,000. Defence's design consultants have reported that the existing capacities of the water and sewer systems are adequate.

The proposal has allowed for the sewer rising main in Draper Street to be relocated within the narrower road reserve as part of the Draper Street road resumption. The proposal has also allowed for relocation of the existing gravity sewer and rising mains in the Cook Street road reserve into a five metre wide zone abutting the Queensland Sugar boundary. The five metre zone is a passive defence setback for operational security and it could become an easement as required by Council.

The new Draper Street road reserve will comply with Council's major collector road design requirements.

The number of car parking spaces proposed on Lot 485 is sufficient to cater for the anticipated demand of the redevelopment. The car parking calculated for Lot 485, together with the parking calculated to be available on HMAS CAIRNS, equals the total required using the Cairns City Council guidelines for calculating car parking rates as if this was a private development. A detailed break down of this calculation will be provided to Council for review and agreement.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Alan McGrath on 02 6266 8546 if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely



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