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The Hon Judi Moylan, MP
Chair
Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works
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Dear Ms Moylan,

LAVARACK BARRACKS REDEVELOPMENT STAGE 4, TOWNSVILLE
SUPPLEMENTARY SUBMISSION

I am writing in response to Submissions Nos. 2 and 3 from the City of Thuringowa and the Queensland Government's Fire and Rescue Service respectively, in relation to the proposed Lavarack Barracks Redevelopment Stage 4, Townsville.

Background

The Committee's Research Officer forwarded to us a copy of Submissions Nos. 2 and 3 by facsimile on 26 March 2007. In Submission No. 2, the City of Thuringowa supports the proposed redevelopment. In Submission No. 3, the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service recommend that their advice be sought during the design phase of the proposal, prior to any construction.

Supplementary Submission

Defence acknowledges the supportive submission of the City of Thuringowa and agrees that there will be a positive economic benefit to the region from implementation of the proposed redevelopment.

Defence is yet to review any of the design documentation with the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service. Defence's design team have applied the Building Code of Australia and Defence's Manual of Fire Protection Engineering to the proposed redevelopment. The proposed works are generally simple in fire engineering terms and all buildings have been designed to include smoke detection and fire hydrant coverage. Defence's Building Certifier intends to liaise with the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service when the design documentation is 90% complete, and long before construction commences.

Yours sincerely,

William Grice *On behalf of*
Brigadier

Director General Infrastructure Asset Development

28 March 2007