



PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA

Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade  
Defence Sub Committee

Chair: Senator Mark Furner  
Deputy: Dr Dennis Jensen MP

**MEDIA ALERT**

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## **Committee to Discuss Support to Wounded Soldiers**

### ***Public Hearing on Tuesday 27 November***

Tomorrow, representatives of the charity "Soldier On" will appear before a parliamentary inquiry into the care of Australia defence personnel wounded and injured on operations.

The chair of the Defence Sub-Committee, Senator Mark Furner, said "this Inquiry is about ensuring that the systems to treat and rehabilitate individuals who have been wounded or injured in the service of their country are robust and effective. However, support doesn't only come from Government departments, there are also organisations external to the Department of Defence and the Department of Veterans Affairs providing services.

These organisations conduct a range of activities designed to assist both those who have been wounded and injured on operations and their families.

This public hearing will enable the committee to investigate the issue of support to wounded and injured personnel with a charitable organisation specifically established for this purpose. "

**Program - Tuesday, 27 November 2012**

Committee Room 1R1 Parliament House Canberra

- 5.30pm Soldier On

The public hearing will be audio webcast live

on: [http://www.aph.gov.au/News\\_and\\_Events/Watch\\_Parliament](http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament)

Terms of reference for the inquiry and submissions can be found

at: [www.aph.gov.au/jfadt](http://www.aph.gov.au/jfadt)

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