



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 Continues to Examine Support to Wounded Soldiers

Public Hearing on Friday 7 December

Tomorrow, representatives from a range of organisations 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. We have already heard from a range of organisations engaged in supporting Australian Defence Force personnel wounded and injured on operations.

This public hearing will enable the committee to consider evidence from both professional medical organisations engaged in the treatment of trauma related mental health conditions, and charitable organisations involved in supporting wounded personnel and their families.”

Program - Friday, 7 December 2012

Committee Room G.3, State Parliament Office, 55 St Andrews Place, East Melbourne.

- 9.00am Psychological Trauma Recovery Service, Austin Health
- 9.45am Australian Centre for Posttraumatic Mental Health
- 10.45am Legacy Australia Council
- 11.30am Carry On (Victoria)

The public hearing will be audio webcast live on:

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

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