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DEFENCE FORCE REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

REMUNERATION REFORM PROJECT

MATTER NO 2 OF 2003

STATEMENT

On 25 August 2004 the Tribunal heard submissions from the Australian Defence Force (ADF), the Commonwealth, the Armed Forces Federation of Australia, the Returned and Services League of Australia and the Regular Defence Force Welfare Association on the Remuneration Reform Project (RRP).

On the basis of the material put before us, the Tribunal encourages continuation of the ADF's work programme and timetable for further development of RRP. While we recognise there are issues still to be addressed, we see no barrier to continuing the planned work programme. We are supportive of the approach proposed including the role of s58H allowances in the operation of the system in future. We agree with the parties on the need for consultation.