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DECISION BRIEF FOR CA (THROUGH HMSP-A AND DGMOD-A) ON ARMY INPUT TO 2017 FUTURE DEFENCE ESTATE REPORT

1. **Purpose.** To seek your **endorsement** of the proposed Minute to DEPSEC E&I articulating the Army's input into the 2017 Future Defence Estate Profile (FDEP) (**Flag A**).

2. **Recommendations.** It is recommended that you:

a. **note** that E&IG have engaged consulting firm KPMG to undertake the development of the 2017 FDER.

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b. **sign** that the attached Minute (Flag A) to DEPSEC E&I providing the Army's initial input to the above consultant investigations.

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3. **Background.** In accordance with previous advice E&IG have commenced the development of the 2017 FDEP in partnership with consulting firm KPMG from Nov 16. The requirement for Army to contribute to this study was considered by CASAC on 21 Oct 16.

4. In accordance with guidance provided by the CASAC, **Flag A** has been prepared to provide Army's initial input into the development of the 2017 FDEP. It is anticipated that further engagement and strategic direction will be required from Army in early 2017 following initial investigations and feedback regarding topics such as the viability of 7 Bde remaining at Gallipoli Barracks and the Army's preferred

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5. **Conclusion.** This minute is considered as the Army's initial engagement with E&IG to shape the outcomes of the 2017 FDEP recommendations and represents the start point to shape significant opportunities for the Army's future disposition to best support capability.

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Consultation:

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A. Proposed Minute to DEPSEC E&I- Army Input to Future Defence Estate Disposition Planning

Well done Glen.

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ARMY INPUT TO FUTURE DEFENCE ESTATE DISPOSITION PLANNING

1. To support the development of the 2017 Future Defence Estate Report, Army has completed an internal review of estate disposition requirements to best enable long term capability needs. This process has confirmed that, although the majority of Army's current disposition is considered suitable for future capability requirements, there is scope for potential improvement through ongoing estate investment. To assist the conduct of E&IG's broad estate review process, I have provided Army's initial input at annex A.

1. In particular, I am of the view that Gallipoli Barracks is the preferred home for 7 BDE. As such, E&IG advice regarding the viability of the long term retention of 7 BDE at Gallipoli Barracks is requested to inform whether potential backfill options for this site need to be identified. I look forward to the recommendations arising from E&IG's investigations.

2. My point of contact for further queries is Director Enabling Support - Army, Mr Tony Luke, at tony.luke1@defence.gov.au.

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Annex:

A. Army Input to Future Defence Estate Disposition Planning

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3. **7 BDE.** The Army seeks to retain 7 BDE at Gallipoli Barracks and requests E&IG to confirm that this remains a viable long term proposition. Should this proposition not be considered viable, E&IG is requested to articulate the basis for a differing assessment and propose a strategy and timeline to remedy any concerns associated with remaining at Gallipoli Barracks.

4. In the event that Gallipoli Barracks is not assessed as a viable long term basing option for 7 BDE, investigations for the relocation should be undertaken s47C

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5. Regardless of the future of 7 BDE, the Army views Gallipoli Barracks, including the close training area, as a valuable site from both an operational and personnel retention perspective. These barracks should therefore be considered an enduring site for the purpose of accommodating regular Army units, in conjunction with a comparatively minor Army Reserve presence.

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