FOI 339/15/16 STATEMENT OF REASONS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

1. I refer to the application by [Redacted] under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (FOI Act), for access to:

"Item 1 - ARPANSA findings report into Dynarad X-ray incident that as reported to them on 18 September 2013. The report is likely to be dated September 2015.

Item 2 - Defence's response to ARPANSA findings report (item 1)

Item 3 - Documents sent between Defence Radiation Safety and Environment (DRSE) and JHC Garrison Health Operations relating to Item 2.

excluding personal email addresses, signatures, PMKeys numbers and mobile telephone numbers, contained in documents that fall within the scope of the FOI request. In addition, exclude duplicates of documents."

FOI decision maker

2. I am the accredited officer pursuant to section 23 of the FOI Act to make a decision on this FOI request.

Documents identified

3. I identified four documents as matching the description of the request.

4. The decision in relation to each document is detailed in the schedule of documents at Enclosure 1.

5. I have added an FOI reference number and serial number to each of the documents, which corresponds with the schedule.

Decision

6. Following examination of the documents, I have decided to release all documents in full. Deletions have been made in accordance with section 22 [irrelevant material] of the FOI Act.
**Material taken into account**

7. In making my decision, I had regard to:
   
   a. the terms of the request;
   
   b. the content of the identified documents in issue;
   
   c. relevant provisions in the FOI Act;
   
   d. the Guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act (the Guidelines); and
   
   e. advice received through consultation with the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA); Army Headquarters (who consulted with Director General Personnel - Army and Director Army Health) and Joint Health Command.

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Helen Gouzvaris  
Accredited Decision Maker  
VCDF Group  

/Ş June 2016