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## **HOT ISSUE BRIEF CA 33/2011**

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**SENSITIVITY:** The media is aware of the forced landing at Normanhurst

#### **KEY ISSUES:**

- At 1430 hrs AEDT 30 November 2011, a Black Hawk from 6 Aviation Regiment conducted a forced landing, at Headen Park Normanhurst, due to an input module light chip coming on (indicates problem with oil).
- At 0105 hrs AEDT 01 December 2011, due to inclement weather, three Black Hawks were forced to land in a non-residential area at an oval at Fraser Beach Rd, Fraser Park.
- At 0140 hrs AEDT 01 December 2011, due to inclement weather, one Black Hawk was forced to land in a residential area at Toukley sports field at Canton Beach.
- All Black Hawks were from 6 Aviation Regiment and were participating in an activity at Singleton.

- Recovery teams have been launched. Recovery of all five Black Hawks is to be conducted today.
- There was no known damage to civilian property.
- There was no threat to personnel operating the aircraft or to any members of the public who may have been in the area.
- There is current media interest.


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- All Black Hawks were from 6 Aviation Regiment and were participating in an activity at Singleton.
- These landings were part of routine safety procedures and at no time was the safety of Defence personnel or the general public at risk.
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