NATURE OF THE INCIDENT OR ISSUE:
• At 1241 hours Darwin local, 17 February 2012 a departing civilian light aircraft was provided a take-off clearance by an Air Traffic Controller, whilst another civilian light aircraft was crossing the same runway.
• The departing aircraft overflew the aircraft crossing the runway without incident.

THE DATE AND TIME OF THE INCIDENT OR ISSUE:
• 1241 hours Darwin local, 17 February 2012.

ACTIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY:
• The controller has been stood down from his duties.
• The Directorate of Defence Aviation and Air Force Safety and the Australian Transport Safety Bureau have been informed of the incident.
• The Australian Transport Safety Bureau is likely to investigate the incident.
• Air Force is appointing an Aviation Incident Investigation Team.

RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
• Nil.
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