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### **GAS TANK FIRE AT CAMP BLAKE, ACT - UPDATE**

#### **NATURE OF THE INCIDENT:**

- In the process of refueling the two LPG Tanks at Majura Training Area ACT, a fire started which has affected both LPG tanks and possibly the tanker truck.

#### **THE DATE AND TIME OF THE INCIDENT:**

- The initial incident occurred on Friday 1 June at approximately 1140 at Majura Training Area.

#### **UPDATE TO ACTIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY:**

- The LPG refill truck had a brake binding problem and the driver alighted to unbind the brakes. Upon unbinding the brakes, either the handbrake was not applied or failed and the truck rolled and struck the two LPG tanks causing the tanks to be dislodged from their concrete footing and this started the fire.
- ACT Police helicopter observation indicates that the LPG truck has burnt out and the two LPG tanks are venting (burning out) reasonably safely.
- ACT Fire Incident Commander's strategy is to allow the two LPG tanks to continue to vent out and there is no attempt to extinguish the fire. It is anticipated that the tanks will be burnt out within a few hours.
- ACT Police has requested media remain off Commonwealth land.
- All personnel on the range have been accounted for and those remaining are clear of the safety exclusion zone. No personnel have been injured.
- As indicated by the ACT Fire Incident Commander, it is a matter of waiting for the burn out process to be complete.
- ACT Fire and Police are still in location. Air Traffic Control Tower is being kept informed of the issues.

#### **RELEVANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

- There is no infrastructure damage to Camp Blake.
- There has been no adverse impact on training at Majura Training Area.

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