

Incidents of Sexual Assault: ADFA

Incident data from 01-01-2001 to 19-04-2011

Incident_ID	Incident_Date	Casualty_Type_Description
266267	09/08/2009 12:00:00 AM	Serious personal injury

Incident Other Location	Incident Location Level	Incident Description
Cadet accomodation	Australlian Defence Force Academy - ADFA	Member was struck on the back of the head by an assailent. [additional comments] The member was attacked by an unknown assailant from behind and knocked unconscious. She was then sexually assaulted. She was found some time later - still unconscious - saw conscious by a colleague

Incident Activity Description	Casualty Activity Description
Movement around the cadet accomodation area. RECD 19/08/2009. [additional comments] Member was returning to her accomodation block from the mess after dinner.	Member sustained multiple serious injuries during unprovoked violent assault.

Sexual Offence Complaints & Finalisations From ADFA 2000 - 2008

Number of Sexual Offences	Number of Sexual Assaults (subset of previous column)	Finalisations
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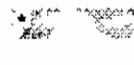
From the access database

2000	3		
2001	1		0
2002	2		4
2003	1		2
2004	5		7
2005	5		4
2006	4		1
2007	3		7
From the corporate system COMTRACK			
2008	1		1

Notes: Sexual assaults are a sub category of Sexual offence. The "Access database" and COMTRACK (statistical collection mechanisms for the years 2000 - 2008) do not include subcategorisation within Sexual offence.

The "Access database" and COMTRACK are corporate records systems used for reporting certain unacceptable behaviours for the purposes of statistical collation. Sexual assaults will also be reported to ADFIS as the authority for managing the complaint. The ADFIS data collection tools were however unreliable until 2009.

The data becomes more robust in current years

 There is no recorded finalisation data recorded between 1996 and 2001

**ADFIS RESPONSE TO
FOI Request from [REDACTED] Re ADFA – Stats Collected period 2008 - 2011**

Comments: A sexual offence captures all criminal matters of a sexual nature. In accordance with the Defence Instruction on the Management and Reporting of Sexual Offences, DI(G) Pers 35-4, **sexual assault** is described as matters where penetration or attempted penetration has occurred. "Related offences" includes non-aggravated/ non-assaultive offences such as a peeping tom, stealing underwear or indecent exposure.

2008

Sexual Offence	Outcome	Sexual Assault	Outcome
Act of Indecency x 1	Victim stated she did not wish to pursue the allegations any further. She was satisfied with the action that had been taken by ADFA.	Sexual Assault x 1 by unknown person/s	ADFIS enquiries with NSW Police, have established that this Police investigation is ongoing. Liaison will continue with NSW Police. The Police advising they will inform ADFIS of any developments in the case.

2009

Sexual Offence	Outcome	Sexual Assault	Outcome
Sexual intercourse with minor x 1	Matter was referred to ACT Childrens Court as the suspect was under 18 years at the time of the offences being committed. NFA Insufficient Evidence. Charges were dismissed in the ACT Childrens Court.	Sexual Assaults x 1 by unknown person.	ACT Police has taken carriage of this investigation. Investigation is being monitored by ADFIS.

		Sexual Assault x1 civilian female reported assault committed by ADFA member.	Matter referred to ACT Police. ACT Police advised that the matter will not be investigated any further by them. No further action will be taken by ADFIS.
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HIB Number 00611

Date/Time
Transmitted: 14/03/2006 17:26

Subject: HOT ISSUES BRIEF NO 3 ALLEGATIONS OF ASSAULT AT THE
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY

KEY ISSUES:

- Further to Hot Issues Brief No 2. The investigation by Military Police into a number of alleged assaults and incidents of inappropriate behaviour by a male Officer Cadet and [REDACTED] continues.
- It is expected that interviews will be completed by Friday 17 March 2006 and the Brief of Evidence will be delivered by close of business Friday 24 March 2006.
- The Australian Federal Police (AFP) have requested an interview with the female [REDACTED] Officer Cadet in relation to the alleged sexual assault by the above mentioned male Officer Cadet. It is expected this will take place within the next few days.
- An update on this case will be provided on the completion of the APP and Military Police investigation.
- The Commandant ADEA has placed the two alleged offenders on alcohol and travel restrictions until investigations are complete.

BACKGROUND:

[REDACTED]

During investigation of this incident it came to light that on Sunday 05 March 06 the same [REDACTED] Officer Cadet involved in the assault, allegedly lifted and carried a female Officer Cadet into her room, throwing her on the bed and pinning her to the mattress. She called for assistance and another male [REDACTED] officer Cadet helped to remove the alleged offender. The Military Police referred this incident to the Australian Federal Police (APP) for investigation. The APP have requested an interview with the female [REDACTED] Officer Cadet and it is expected this will take place within a few days. The outcome of this interview will determine if the AFP takes further action.

Following investigations by the Military Police, a number of other allegations of inappropriate behaviour involving the offending [REDACTED] Officer Cadet and a male [REDACTED] [REDACTED] were raised. Frequent consumption of alcohol by the [REDACTED] Officer Cadet has also been alleged.

It is alleged that both the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] made frequent sexual references and inappropriate comments to a number of female cadets. It is also alleged that the

two offenders have gone into female cadet rooms and trashed their belongings, including pouring water over their beds. It is also alleged that the [REDACTED] has on a number of occasions pinched female cadets on the buttocks.

The Military Police are currently investigating these allegations and have requested assistance from 1MP Battalion Victoria Barracks. A team is currently interviewing all witnesses and the alleged offenders. It is expected that interviews will be completed by Friday 17 March 2006.

The Brief of Evidence will be delivered to ADFA by close of business Friday 24 March 2006. The Commandant ADFA has placed the two alleged offenders on alcohol and travel restrictions until investigations are complete.

Contact Officer	Belinda Hails	W: 02 6268 8623	M:
AUTHORISED By	BRIG B.R Dawson Commandant ADFA	W: 02 6268 8600	
DATE:	09 Mar 2006		

HIB Number: 00533

Date/Time
Transmitted: 10/12/2005 1252

Subject: HOT ISSUES BRIEF #2
UPDATE ON ADFA OFFICER CADET'S ALLEGATIONS OF POSSIBLE
SEXUAL ASSAULT BY OTHER ADFA CADETS

KEY ISSUES:

- Further to the brief issued Saturday 10 Dec 05 regarding the possible sexual assault of an [REDACTED] Officer Cadet (not [REDACTED] as previously advised).
- After being taken to the Adult Sexual Assault Centre at Winchester by the Australian Federal Police the Officer Cadet refused to be tested and has chosen not to take any further action.
- As there is no evidence of sexual assault, the AFP will not take this matter any further. A transcript of events will be compiled.
- This incident will be investigated and actioned by the Military Police and ADFA.

BACKGROUND:

At 0605 h Saturday 10 Dec 05 [REDACTED] reported an incident that allegedly occurred at approximately 0500 h Saturday 10 Dec 05 to the ADFA Duty Officer, LEUT Gram.

[REDACTED] returned to cadet accommodation at ADFA early Saturday morning after being on local leave in Canberra. Alcohol had been consumed. He continued drinking in Building 52 with a number of other cadets. He found he was unable to access his own room and returned to Building 52 to sleep in a room he knew to be vacant.

[REDACTED] has alleged that at approximately 0500 h an incident involving [REDACTED] male [REDACTED] Officer Cadets and one female civilian ([REDACTED])

It is alleged that [REDACTED] woke to find himself naked and being drawn over in black marker. After waking, he reports the cadets held him down and continued to draw and write obscene messages over his body. This incident was allegedly filmed by one of the cadets present using their mobile phone. This mobile phone is now in the APP's possession.

After breaking free of the room and returning to his Division [REDACTED] was encouraged by some members of his Division to report the incident. [REDACTED] reported the incident to the ADFA Duty Officer and also made contact with his mother. With the Officer Cadet's consent his Divisional Officer, FLTLT Edwards called the cadet's mother. She indicated to FLTLT Edwards that ADFA's handling of this incident to date has been appropriate.

The ADFA Duty Officer contacted the Australian Federal Police at 0720 h. Military Police were also contacted. Following an interview by the AF? the OCDT was taken to the Adult Sexual Assault Centre at Winchester to ascertain the nature of the alleged assault.

Upon arrival at the Centre, _____ refused to be tested and chose not to take further action on the matter. As there is no evidence of sexual assault the APP will not take this matter any further. A transcript of events will be compiled.
This matter will now be handled by the Military Police and ADFA and following on investigation appropriate action will be taken.

Contact Officer:	Belinda Halls	W: 02 6268 8623	
AUTHORISED By	GPCAPT Loch Mitchell Deputy Commandant ADFA	W: 02 6268 8500	
DATE:	10 Dec 2005		

HIB Number: 00532

Date/Time
Transmitted: 10/12/2005 1028

Subject: ADFA OFFICER CADET ALLEGES POSSIBLE
SEXUAL ASSAULT BY OTHER ADFA CADETS

KEY ISSUES:

- A male Officer Cadet from the Australian Defence Force Academy reported to the Academy Duty Officer that he was assaulted within cadet accommodation at approximately 0500 h, Sat 10 Dec 05. This alleged incident involved male Officer Cadets and one female civilian. Heavy alcohol consumption was involved and the nature of the assault is uncertain, but may have included sexual assault.
- As sexual assault constitutes a civil offence, the Australian Federal Police were notified and are currently investigating further. Military Police have also been advised.
- After preliminary interviews by the AFP, the Officer Cadet has been taken to the Adult Sexual Assault Centre at Winchester, to ascertain the nature of the alleged assault. He was accompanied by a fellow officer cadet.
- The made contact with his mother who has since contacted the Academy. With the Officer Cadet's consent the cadet's Divisional Officer called his mother. The mother has indicated that ADFA's handling of this incident to date has been appropriate.
- ADFA support services including Psychologists and Chaplains are in attendance to support all those involved.
- It is expected that following a final statement by the Officer Cadet, interviews with the other cadets involved will take place

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indicated to FLTLT Edwards that ADFA's handling of this incident to date has been appropriate.

The ADFA Duty Officer contacted the Australian Federal Police at 0720 h. Military Police have also been contacted. Both the AFP and Military Police are in attendance at ADFA and have interviewed [REDACTED]. They will continue to interview involved members.

[REDACTED] was taken to the Adult Sexual Assault Centres Belconnen to ascertain the nature of the alleged assault.

Contact Officer	Belinda Halls	W: 02 6268 8623	
AUTHORISED By	GPCAPT Loch Mitchell Deputy Commandant ADFA	W: 02 6268 8500	
DATE:	10 Dec 2005		

HIB Number 00660

Date/Time
Transmitted: 03/05/2006 1525

Subject: FEMALE ADFA OFFICER CADET ALLEGES SEXUAL ASSAULT BY A
MALE ADFA [REDACTED]

KEY ISSUES:

- A first year female [REDACTED] Officer Cadet from the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) has this afternoon reported to an Equity Adviser that she was allegedly sexually assaulted in the early hours of Sunday 30 April 06 by a male [REDACTED].
- It is alleged that the incident occurred within cadet accommodation after returning from a night out in Civic. The Officer Cadet reports that she had consumed excessive amounts of alcohol and alleges that [REDACTED] may have been sober.
- The Officer Cadet alleges that [REDACTED] took advantage of her whilst she was intoxicated. She also indicated that she may have passed out a number of times during sex. She recalls asking [REDACTED] to use a condom.
- Military Police have commenced an investigation into this incident. As sexual assault constitutes a civil offence, the Australian Federal Police have been contacted and are expected to attend ADFA this evening.
- ADFA support services, including Psychologists, have interviewed the Officer Cadet and offered ongoing support to the Officer Cadet.

BACKGROUND:

On the afternoon of Wednesday 3 May 2006 a [REDACTED] female [REDACTED] Officer Cadet ([REDACTED]) reported to a cadet Equity Adviser that she had been sexually assaulted by a male [REDACTED] ([REDACTED]) in the early hours of Sunday 30 April 2006.

The Officer Cadet was promptly interviewed by her Divisional Officer and Officer Commanding.

From this initial investigation it is understood that on the night of the alleged sexual assault, the [REDACTED] had attended an approved 18th Birthday celebration at the Academy Cadets Mess and then continued the celebration in Civic. The [REDACTED] reports that she was intoxicated prior to her arrival in Civic. It is alleged that the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were at a Civic nightclub together and that [REDACTED] purchased a number of drinks for the [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] alleges that that [REDACTED] was sober, or nearly so. The [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] later returned to the cadet accommodation at the Academy together where the alleged incident took place.

The [REDACTED] alleges that [REDACTED] took advantage of her whilst she was intoxicated. She reports that during sex she may have passed out a number of times. She recalls telling [REDACTED] to use a condom.

The [REDACTED] alleges that on Monday 1 May, [REDACTED] sent a text message to the [REDACTED] to check if she was okay. The [REDACTED] reports that she sent a text message in reply to say that she felt she had been taken advantage of. No further communication between The [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] has since taken

place.

The Military Police have commenced an investigation of this incident. As sexual assault constitutes a civil offence, the Australian Federal Police have been contacted and are expected to attend ADFA this evening.

ADFA support services, including Psychologists, have interviewed the [REDACTED] and offered ongoing support.

Contact Officer	CAPT P.J. Marray, RAN		M: 0409 833 977
AUTHORISED By	BRIG B R Dawson Commandant ADFA	W: 02 6268 8500	
DATE:	03 May 06		

HIB Number: 00690

Date/Time
Transmitted: 15/06/2006 1746

Subject: FEMALE ADFA [REDACTED] ALLEGES SEXUAL ASSAULT BY A
MALE ADFA OFFICER CADET

KEY ISSUES:

- A [REDACTED] female [REDACTED] from the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) has this afternoon advised that she was allegedly sexually assaulted on or around Wednesday 17 May 06 by a male ADFA [REDACTED] Officer Cadet
- It is alleged the incident occurred on a [REDACTED] field trip.
- [REDACTED] reported that she had consumed alcohol prior to the alleged incident.
- [REDACTED] alleges that the male Officer Cadet proceeded to have intercourse with her against her will and recalls advising the male Officer Cadet to stop.
- Military Police have commenced an investigation into this incident.
- As sexual assault constitutes a civil offence, the Australian Federal Police have been contacted and are expected to attend ADEA morning of 16 June 2006.
- ADFA support services have interviewed [REDACTED] and offered ongoing support to her.

BACKGROUND:

On the afternoon of 15 June 2006 a [REDACTED] female [REDACTED] reported to a [REDACTED] Chaplain that she had allegedly been sexually assaulted by a male ADFA [REDACTED] Officer Cadet ([REDACTED]) on or around Wednesday 11 May 2006

[REDACTED] alleges that the [REDACTED] and others on the University of New South Wales field trip had consumed alcohol on the Wednesday evening and into the early hours of the morning.

She and three other ADFA personnel were the last to retire that evening. She alleges that when she was left alone with the [REDACTED] he assaulted her, by pinning her to the floor and he proceeded to have sexual intercourse with her, without her consent.

[REDACTED] alleges that she did not advise anyone else on the field trip of the incident, however advised her close Mends on her return to ADFA.

The Military Police have commenced an investigation of this incident. As sexual assault constitutes a civil offence, the Australian Federal Police have been contacted and are expected to attend ADFA morning of 16 June 2006.

ADFA support services, have interviewed the [REDACTED] and offered ongoing support

Contact Officer	CAPT P.J. Marray, RAN		M: 0409 833 977
AUTHORISED By	BRIG B R Dawson Commandant ADFA	W: 02 6268 8500	
DATE:	15 Jun 06		

HIB Number: 00604

Date/Time
Transmitted: 10/03/2006 1612

Subject: ALLEGATIONS OF ASSAULT AT THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE
FORCE ACADEMY

KEY ISSUES:

[REDACTED]

- Further investigation by Military Police into this incident has unveiled a number of alleged assaults and incidents of inappropriate behaviour involving the same male Officer Cadet.
- It is alleged that on Monday 6 March 06 the male [REDACTED] Officer Cadet assaulted a [REDACTED] Officer Cadet, within cadet accommodation. As this allegation is of a sexual nature the matter has been referred to the Australian Federal Police for investigation.
- A number of other complaints of inappropriate behaviour and inappropriate comments towards female cadets involving the male Officer Cadet and [REDACTED] have also been raised,
- Military Police continue to investigate the allegations and this is expected to be completed on Monday 13 March 06.
- The Commandant ADFA has restricted the alleged offenders to the ADFA precinct until the investigation is complete.
- The unacceptable delay in the reporting of this incident is under internal investigation. Provisional information indicates that knowledge of these allegations was held at staff level with the Commandant ADFA only being made aware of their existence today.

BACKGROUND:

[REDACTED]

During investigation of this incident it came to light that on Sunday 05 March 06 it is alleged that the same [REDACTED] Officer Cadet physically picked up a [REDACTED] female Officer Cadet and carried her to her room, throwing her on the bed and pinning her to the mattress. The [REDACTED] Officer Cadet called for assistance and another male [REDACTED] officer Cadet helped to remove the alleged offender. The Military Police has referred this incident to the Australian Federal Police for investigation and ADFA is waiting to hear from the APP if this case is to be taken further.

Following investigations by the Military Police, a number of other allegations of inappropriate behaviour involving the offending Officer Cadet and a male [REDACTED] were raised. Frequent consumption of alcohol by the [REDACTED] Officer Cadet has also been alleged.

It is alleged that both the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] make frequent sexual references and inappropriate comments to a number of female cadets. It is also alleged that the two offenders

have gone into female cadet rooms and trashed their belongings, including pouring water over their beds. it is also alleged that [REDACTED] has on a number of occasions pinched female cadets on the buttocks.

The Military Police are currently investigating these allegations and have requested assistance from IMP Battalion Victoria Barracks. A team will interview all witnesses and the alleged offenders on Monday 13 March 06,

The Commandant, ADFA has placed the two alleged offenders on alcohol and travel restrictions until investigations are complete.

The unacceptable delay in the reporting of this incident is under internal investigation. Provisional information indicates that knowledge of these allegations was held at staff level with the Commandant ADFA only being made aware of their existence today.

Contact Officer	CAPT R.C Brown, RAN	W: 02 6268 8600	
AUTHORISED By	MAJGEN D Morrison		
DATE:	10 Mar 2006		

HIB Number: 00607

Date/Time
Transmitted: 10/03/2006 1914

Subject: ALLEGATIONS OF ASSAULT AT THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE
FORCE ACADEMY

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- Further investigation by Military Police into this incident has revealed a number of alleged assaults and incidents of inappropriate behaviour involving the same male Officer Cadet.
- It is alleged that the same Officer Cadet involved in the assault allegation also assaulted a female [REDACTED] Officer Cadet, within cadet accommodation on Sunday 5 March 06. As this allegation is of a sexual nature the matter has been referred to the Australian Federal Police for investigation.
- A number of other complaints of inappropriate behaviour and inappropriate comments towards female cadets involving the same male Officer Cadet and a [REDACTED] Officer Cadet have also been raised.
- Military Police continue to investigate the allegations and this is expected to be completed on Monday 13 March 06.
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Contact Officer	CAPT R.C Brown, RAN	W: 02 6268 8600	
AUTHORISED By	MAJGEN D Morrison		
DATE:	10 Mar 2006		

HIB Number: 000511

Date/Time
Transmitted: 11/08/2009 09:10 AM

Subject: AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE (AFP) HAVE ISSUED A MEDIA
RELEASE OF ASSAULT ON DEFENCE MEMBER AT THE
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY (ADFA)

Comment:
Action Area DGDETD

LIMITED DISTRIBUTION - NOT TO BE FORWARDED

**AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE (AFP) HAVE ISSUED A MEDIA RELEASE OF
ASSAULT ON DEFENCE MEMBER AT THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE
ACADEMY (ADFA)**

SENSITIVITY: A female [REDACTED] at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) was assaulted at ADFA on 9 August 2009. This was previously advised on 10 August 2009 (Hot Issues Brief ADFA 10/09). The AFP have advised Defence they have released details to the media on the incident tonight. The incident may be linked to poor base security and may generate a different angle on the base security media coverage.

KEY ISSUES:

- ACT Police have issued a media release appealing for anyone in the Campbell area who may have seen any suspicious persons or activity in the accommodation blocks in relation to the assault.
- ACT Police discussed the release with Defence and agreed to use the term female officer cadet rather than [REDACTED] and not to include the member's age to help protect the identity of the individual involved.
- ACT Police have not stated that the assault may have been sexual.
- The midshipman has been contacted by her AFP case officer and is aware of the release.

Contact Officer:	Colonel Dianne Gallasch Chief of Staff Joint Education, Training and Warfare Command	W: 02 62660579	M: 0439 447 742
Authorised by:	As above	W: As above	M: As above

Date issued: 11 August 2009

BACKGROUND:

The AFP release is as follows:

Witnesses sought to Campbell assault

ACT Policing is seeking witnesses to an assault on a female officer cadet within the grounds of the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) in Campbell on Sunday evening (August 9) between the hours of 7.30pm and 8.15pm.

The woman is resident at ADFA.

The victim had been walking between accommodation blocks when she was assaulted by an unknown offender and lost consciousness for a short time.

She was found by a fellow officer cadet, and had suffered cuts and bruising to her head and body.

Police conducted a doorknock of residents in the surrounding accommodation blocks and have seized several items as evidence.

Police are appealing for anyone within the Campbell area who may have seen any suspicious persons or activity, particularly around the ADFA accommodation blocks, between 7pm and 8.30pm on Sunday night to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000, or via the Crime Stoppers website on www.act.crimestoppers.com.au.

CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS - ASSAULT

- **The Australian Defence Force Academy is aware that a member was assaulted.**
- **As the matter is being investigated by the Australian Federal Police, it would be inappropriate to comment on the incident.**
- **The Australian Defence Force Academy takes these matters very seriously and will cooperate with the Australian Federal Police in their investigation.**
- **Midshipmen and Officer Cadets are encouraged to be vigilant of their surrounds and to support each other.**

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CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS – BASE SECURITY

Overview

- Defence employs a range of protective security measures to protect its people and installations. This includes a range of physical and personnel security measures coupled with intelligence to provide a layered response to mitigate threats.
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- Defence's protective security alert system, known as SAFEBASE, has been in place for many years.

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- SAFEBASE incorporates a well-developed alert system and a graduated set of physical and personnel security measures to deal with changes in threat levels.
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- Defence works with other government agencies to ensure that the security arrangements for bases and establishments remain robust and appropriate.
- The Chief of the Defence Force's assessment that current security arrangements are adequate is based upon the assessed threat as it stands at the moment. However, given the present circumstances, the Government has decided that it is appropriate to review current measures.

Review

- Defence is conducting a review into base security in light of the method of attack contemplated by the alleged terrorist apprehended in Melbourne.
- The review is being conducted by Defence's Chief Security Officer with support from across Defence and the Attorney-General's Department.
- An initial assessment of the current adequacy of base security arrangements will be finalised this month (August).

If asked:

Has the SAFEBASE security level been increased at any bases?

- No. Current security alert levels remain in place.
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- The security situation will continued to be reviewed as part of Defence's normal practice.

Do security alert levels vary from base to base?

- The SAFEBASE alert level can vary from establishment to establishment or from region to region, depending on the assessed level of threat to a particular location.
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Was Defence briefed on the Federal and State police operations?

- Defence was engaged with other government agencies in relation to this matter.
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- Defence has the ability to respond quickly and appropriately to an evolving security situation.
- As this is an ongoing police matter it would not be appropriate to comment further.

Were the alert levels upgraded at Holsworthy because of the threat?

- Defence worked with other government agencies throughout the investigation and took steps to ensure that the security arrangements for its bases and establishments were appropriate to the level of threat.
- Defence has the ability to respond quickly and appropriately to an evolving security situation.

Why are unarmed security guards protecting Defence bases?

- The protective security framework in place to protect Defence bases is informed by national intelligence assessments and made up of a range of physical and personnel security measures.
- Access and entry control functions undertaken by contracted security guards are only one part of this layered approach.
- ADF members are employed in combat or combat-related roles where their specialist military skills can be best used. Performing access and entry control functions is not a routine military-skills role.

What level of security checking do civilian guards undergo?

- Defence's Protective Security contracts require contractors to provide guards that meet State and Territory security guard licensing arrangements. Arrangements for each State and Territory vary but all require guards to be licensed on the basis of competencies issued by certified training bodies as well as police background checks.
- Guards located at Defence's more sensitive sites undergo a higher standard of security checking, including by Defence.

How could journalists enter a base like Steele Barracks?

- Steele Barracks is located at Moorebank next to the Holsworthy Army Base and not within Holsworthy's core perimeter as reported in the media.
- Two employees of the Daily Telegraph presented to security on entry to the Steele Barracks site and gained access to the area through the provision of photo identification and after providing misinformation on their destination and purpose. They were detained for taking unauthorised photographs of Defence buildings and personnel.
- While the golf course at Steele Barracks is open to the public on the provision of a current driver's licence or other photo identification, that does not mean that there is general public access to other military facilities.
- As this is now a police matter it would not be appropriate to comment further.

What do think of journalistic stunts to gain entry to Defence bases?

- As Parliamentary Secretary Dr Mike Kelly said, we are concerned that individuals have been messing around and causing an unnecessary waste of time.
- The individual intrusions did not represent a real or credible threat to Defence security and the response was proportionate to the situation.
- Defence employs a range of protective security measures to protect its people and installations. This includes a range of physical and personnel security measures coupled with intelligence to provide a layered response to mitigate threats.

Is it legal to take photographs of Defence establishments?

- Section 82(1) of the Defence Act 1903 makes it an offence, without lawful authority, to make a sketch, drawing, photograph, picture or painting of any defence installation.
- Section 89 of the Crimes Act 1914 makes it an offence to trespass on prohibited Commonwealth land, being land on which a notice to this effect is posted. In practice this includes Defence establishments. It may also be an offence under subsection 82(3) of the Defence Act.

<i>Clearance</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Appointment</i>	<i>Date</i>		
<i>Drafted by:</i>					
<i>Cleared by: (Group/Service)</i>	ACM A.G. Houston	CDF	6 Aug 09		
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<i>Cleared by: (Public Affairs)</i>	Rod Dudfield	DDGPA	6 Aug 09		
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ARRESTED ON ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND
STATUTORY RAPE

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HOT ISSUES BRIEF ADFA 05/09 SECOND UPDATE

**ISSUE: [REDACTED] OFFICER CADET ARRESTED ON ALLEGATIONS OF
CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND STATUTORY RAPE**

**SENSITIVITY: A [REDACTED] Officer Cadet has been released on bail and is expected to
face the ACT Children's Court on 5 June 09 on charges of sexual intercourse with a minor.**

KEY ISSUES:

- The Australian Federal Police (AFP) has charged a [REDACTED] Officer Cadet with three counts of sexual intercourse with a minor.
- The member has been released on bail and is expected to face the ACT Children's Court on 5 June 09.
- AFP has interviewed the complainant and her daughter.
- Additionally AFP has interviewed an [REDACTED] Officer Cadet who was also a member of [REDACTED], at the time the alleged relationship started.

BACKGROUND:

- On 12 May 2009, [REDACTED] informed ADFA that she believed her daughter was having a sexual relationship with a [REDACTED] Officer Cadet.
- The parent alleged that the daughter's mobile contained nude images of the member, as well as her daughter.
- The parent also alleged that the mobile phone contained explicit text messages from the member to the daughter.

- The relationship allegedly started in 2008 when the individuals were members of [REDACTED]. At the time, the daughter was 13 and the individual concerned was 17.
- As the member was 17 at the time of the alleged incidents, the case has been listed before the ACT Children's Court.

[REDACTED]

- This matter was initially referred to the Australian Defence Force Investigative Service, who informed the NSW police, as it was believed that the complainant and the daughter resided in [REDACTED]. The matter was then referred to the AFP as it is believed that the incident occurred in their jurisdiction.

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COMDT ADFA
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Date issued: 26 May 2009

**CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS
MEMBER ARRESTED BUT NOT CHARGED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND
STATUTORY RAPE**

- The Australian Defence Force Academy is aware that a member has been arrested and charged with one count of sexual intercourse with a minor.
- The Australian Defence Force Academy does not tolerate inappropriate behaviour by cadets, midshipmen or its staff and takes these allegations very seriously.
- As the matter is being investigated by the Australian Federal Police, it would be inappropriate to comment on the allegations.
- The Australian Defence Force Academy will continue to support the authorities in their investigation.

Clearance	Name	Appointment	Date	Time Group
Cleared by: (Group/Service)	AIRCDRE M Staib	COMDT ADFA	22 May 09	
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Cleared by: (Public Affairs)	COL M. Elliot	A/DGPA	22 May 09	
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Subject: ADFA 05/09 UPDATE [REDACTED] OFFICER CADET
ARRESTED ON ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND
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HOT ISSUES BRIEF ADFA 05/09 UPDATE

**ISSUE: [REDACTED] OFFICER CADET ARRESTED ON ALLEGATIONS OF
CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND STATUTORY RAPE**

**SENSITIVITY: A [REDACTED] Officer Cadet has been arrested and charged with one count
of sexual intercourse with a minor.**

KEY ISSUES:

- The Australian Federal Police (AFP) has arrested and charged a [REDACTED] Officer Cadet with one count of sexual intercourse with a minor.
- Preliminary legal advice will be provided through the reserve legal panel should the member wish to have representation.
- It is expected that the member will be bailed today, however the conditions of that bail are not yet available.
- AFP has interviewed the complainant and her daughter.
- Additionally AFP has interviewed an [REDACTED] Officer Cadet who was also a member of [REDACTED], at the time the alleged relationship started.

BACKGROUND:

- On 12 May 2009, [REDACTED] informed ADFA that she believed her daughter was having a sexual relationship with a [REDACTED] Officer Cadet.
- The parent alleged that the daughter's mobile contained nude images of the member, as well as her daughter.
- The parent also alleged that the mobile phone contained explicit text messages from the member to the daughter.

- The relationship allegedly started in 2008 when the individuals were members of [REDACTED]. At the time, the daughter was 13 and the individual concerned was 17.

[REDACTED]

- This matter was initially referred to the Australian Defence Force Investigative Service, who informed the NSW police, as it was believed that the complainant and the daughter resided in [REDACTED]. The matter was then referred to the AFP as it is believed that the incident occurred in their jurisdiction.

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COMDT ADFA
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COMDT ADFA

Date issued: 22 May 2009

**CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS
MEMBER ARRESTED BUT NOT CHARGED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND
STATUTORY RAPE**

- The Australian Defence Force Academy is aware that a member has been arrested and charged with one count of sexual intercourse with a minor.
- The Australian Defence Force Academy does not tolerate inappropriate behaviour by cadets, midshipmen or its staff and takes these allegations very seriously.
- As the matter is being investigated by the Australian Federal Police, it would be inappropriate to comment on the allegations.
- The Australian Defence Force Academy will continue to support the authorities in their investigation.

Clearance	Name	Appointment	Date Time Group
Cleared by: (Group/Service)	AIRCDRE M Staib	COMDT ADFA	22 May 09
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Subject: ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND STATUTORY RAPE
BY A [REDACTED] CADET

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HOT ISSUES BRIEF ADFA 05/09

ISSUE: ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY AND STATUTORY RAPE BY
A [REDACTED] CADET

SENSITIVITY: A [REDACTED] Cadet has been accused of facilitating child pornography and of statutory rape.

KEY ISSUES:

- On 12 May 2009, [REDACTED] informed ADFA that she believed her daughter was having a sexual relationship with a first year Army officer cadet.
- The parent alleges that the daughter's mobile contains nude images of the member, as well as her daughter.
- The parent also alleges that the mobile phone contains explicit text messages from the member to the daughter.
- The relationship allegedly started in 2008 when the individuals were members of [REDACTED]. At the time, the daughter was 13 and the individual concerned was 17.

[REDACTED]

- The member is currently on scheduled May leave break and is expected to return to ADFA on Thursday 14 May.
- This matter has been referred to the Australian Defence Force Investigative Service, who have informed the NSW police, as it is believed that the complainant and the daughter reside in [REDACTED]. The matter has now been referred to the AFP, as it is believed that the incident occurred in their jurisdiction.

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Date issued: 12 May 2009

**CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS
 ALLEGATIONS OF STATUTORY RAPE AND CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

- The Australian Defence Force Academy is aware of allegations made against a cadet in relation to statutory rape and child pornography.
- The Australian Defence Force Academy does not tolerate inappropriate behaviour by cadets, midshipmen or its staff and takes these allegations very seriously.
- As the matter is being investigated by civilian authorities it would be inappropriate to comment on the allegations.
- The Australian Defence Force Academy will continue to support the authorities in their investigation.

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Subject: ADFA OFFICER CADET HAS FORMALLY LODGED A COMPLAINT
TO THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

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SENSITIVITY: Medium. A female [REDACTED] officer cadet has formally lodged a complaint of sexual assault to the Australian Federal Police (AFP).

KEY ISSUES:

- An Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) [REDACTED] officer cadet declared to the AFP that she was the subject of a sexual assault.
- Details of the assault are only known by the AFP investigating authorities at this time.
- The officer cadet made the declaration to the AFP at 1330h 22 Apr 10 at the Canberra Police Station, in the presence of her Divisional Officer.
- AFP officers have indicated they wish to interview another member of the ADFA as a consequence of this declaration.

BACKGROUND:

- On the evening of 16 Apr 10, the officer cadet contacted her Divisional Officer to inform him of a sexual assault that allegedly occurred many weeks previously.
- The officer cadet was immediately provided with safe haven, medical, psychological and pastoral support.
- A Quick Assessment was conducted and consequently ADFIS, AFP and the DEO were informed.
- At that time, the officer cadet did not want to make a formal complaint. However, she was interviewed by the AFP and notified of her options. She subsequently decided to state a formal complaint.

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ADFA

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Subject: ALLEGED VIDEO TRANSMISSION OF SEXUAL ACTIVITY AT THE
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY

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HOT ISSUES BRIEF ADFA – 01/11

**ISSUE: ALLEGED VIDEO TRANSMISSION OF SEXUAL ACTIVITY AT THE
AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY**

SENSITIVITY: This incident could be interpreted as being part of a broader problem in Defence involving inappropriate use of social media and communications technology.

KEY ISSUES:

- At 1645h on Thursday 31 March 2011, a [REDACTED] at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) reported an inappropriate activity he had become aware of, but had not witnessed.
- The alleged act occurred during the evening of Monday 28 March 2011, and involved the video transmission of an act of sexual intercourse between two ADFA officer cadets in a room on base. The video was transmitted to another computer on base using the software application 'Skype'. Four officer cadets are alleged to have viewed the sexual act on the remote computer.
- The Quick Assessment of this incident indicates that the sexual intercourse was consensual, but the video transmission was not.
- The Australian Defence Force Investigative Service and the Australian Federal Police were informed of this alleged incident. They have advised that it does not constitute a civilian offence, and it is therefore an issue for ADFA to investigate under the auspices of the Defence Force Discipline Act.
- ADFA has commenced a disciplinary investigation into this alleged incident.

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Authorised by:	Commodore Bruce KAFFER	W: 02 6268 8600	M: 0439 784088

Date issued: 1 April 2011

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Subject: MALE ADFA [REDACTED] OFFICER CADET FORMALLY CHARGED BY
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE WITH SEXUAL ASSAULT

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SENSITIVITY: Medium. A male ADFA Army Officer Cadet has been formally charged by the Australian Federal Police (AFP) with sexual assault.

KEY ISSUES:

- ADFA HIB 06/10 reported that a female [REDACTED] Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) officer cadet formally complained of sexual assault on 22 Apr 10. Subsequently an ADFA [REDACTED] male officer cadet was charged by the AFP with sexual assault.
- Details of the assault are only known by the AFP investigating authorities at this time.
- The officer cadet was charged at the Canberra Police Station at 1530h 23 Apr 10. An officer appointed by ADFA as his case manager was present at the time of the charge.
- The male officer cadet has been moved to alternative accommodation within ADFA and is receiving psychological, pastoral and legal support.

BACKGROUND:

- On the evening of 16 Apr 10, a [REDACTED] female officer cadet contacted her Divisional Officer to inform him of a sexual assault that allegedly occurred many weeks previously.
- The officer cadet was immediately provided with safe haven, medical, psychological and pastoral support.
- A Quick Assessment was conducted and consequently ADFIS, AFP and the DEO were informed.
- At that time, the officer cadet did not want to make a formal complaint. However, she was interviewed by the AFP and notified of her options. She subsequently decided to state a formal complaint, and did so on the 22 Apr 10.

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ADFA

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Subject: POSSIBLE SEXUAL ASSAULT OF A DEFENCE MEMBER AT ADFA
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HOT ISSUES BRIEF ADFA 10/09

ISSUE: POSSIBLE SEXUAL ASSAULT OF A DEFENCE MEMBER AT ADFA

SENSITIVITY: A Defence Force member was possibly sexually assaulted at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA).

KEY ISSUES:

- A [REDACTED] at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) may have been sexually assaulted at ADFA at approximately 2000 hours 9 August 09.
- The garrison service police, the Australian Defence Force (ADF) Investigative Service, and the Australian Federal Police (AFP) were informed. The AFP interviewed the personnel that discovered the member, and those that have rooms that overlook the area where the incident occurred.
- The member has contacted her family and next of kin.
- The AFP investigation is continuing, and the ADF Investigative Service will liaise with them about this issue.

BACKGROUND:

- On Sunday 9 August 2009 at approx 2010 hours, a Defence member was returning to their accommodation at ADFA, and discovered a [REDACTED] lying on the ground.
- It is believed that the member lying on the ground was sexually assaulted; however this is yet to be confirmed.
- Colleagues remained with the victim, while ADFA duty staff were notified.
- The AFP and an ambulance were called to the scene.
- The victim was cared for by staff, and was interviewed by police.

- The victim was provided with care through the night by the Duntroon Health Centre, and continues to receive support from staff and professional services at ADFA.

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COMDT ADFA

Date issued: 10 August 2009

CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS

- The Australian Defence Force Academy is aware that a member was possibly assaulted within the grounds of the Academy.
- As the matter is being investigated by the Australian Federal Police, it would be inappropriate to comment on the incident.
- The Australian Defence Force Academy is providing all possible support to the victim, and is cooperating with the Australian Federal Police.
- While, security arrangements at the Academy are being reviewed, cadets, staff and other students at ADFA are encouraged to be especially vigilant of their personal security, and to support each other when moving around the base.

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Subject: [REDACTED] TO APPEAR IN COURT ON CHARGES OF
SEXUAL ASSAULT ON A [REDACTED] OFFICER
CADET

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SENSITIVITY: A [REDACTED] located at the
Australian Defence Force Academy [REDACTED] will face the ACT Supreme Court on 22
February 2010, charged with sexual assault on a [REDACTED] ADFA officer cadet.

KEY ISSUES:

- A [REDACTED] at the Australian
Defence Force Academy (ADFA) will appear in the ACT Supreme Court on 22 February
2010 on a charge that he sexually assaulted a [REDACTED] ADFA Army officer cadet.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- ADFA and [REDACTED] are working together to ensure that the appropriate duty of care is being
implemented for the officer cadets and midshipmen at ADFA.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- In October 2004, Military Police verbally relayed to ADFA information from an informant,
albeit lacking in detail, alleging that a [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ADFA was advised that these allegations were part of an ongoing Australian
Federal Police (AFP) investigation. No action was taken against the individual at the time
because the allegations were unsubstantiated. No further advice was received on these
allegations until 13 July 2006.
- The Australian Defence College (ADC) submission 153 of 20 July 2006 advised the then
MINDEF that Military Police had verbally informed Commandant ADFA and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] on 13 July 2006 of the alleged involvement of the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- On Friday 28 July 2006, the AFP searched the [REDACTED] private residence. Following this, it was advised that [REDACTED] understands that no further action was taken, or is being considered, by the AFP regarding this search.

[REDACTED] had requested from the Military Police formal notification of the allegations and particulars on which it could possibly act. The general outline of the allegations, supplied by the Military Police, was provided to the [REDACTED] on 17 August 2006. The [REDACTED] solicitor subsequently contacted the [REDACTED] seeking sufficient detail to allow him to answer the allegations; however Military Police were unable to provide additional information. As a result, on 25 September 2006 the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- The ADC submission 206 of 27 September 2006 advised the then MINDEF that on further investigation and, after consulting with the [REDACTED] solicitor, the [REDACTED] determined there was insufficient evidence to confirm the allegations [REDACTED] or to continue the [REDACTED], until the matter progressed to court.

[REDACTED]

- Furthermore, on 21 August 2008 ADFA was advised by [REDACTED] that the [REDACTED] had appeared in the ACT Supreme Court on 20 August on charges of sexual assault – alleged to have occurred in September 2004.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- ADFA and [REDACTED] continue to work together to ensure that the appropriate duty of care is being implemented for the midshipmen and officer cadets at ADFA.

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CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS

**[REDACTED] IN COURT OVER A SEXUAL ASSULT ON A
 [REDACTED] ADFA CADET**

- Defence is aware that a [REDACTED] at the Australian Defence Force Academy has appeared in the ACT Supreme Court.

[REDACTED]

- It would be inappropriate for Defence to comment on the matter while it is before the Court.
- ADFA is committed to providing a safe, equitable and caring environment where cadets can thrive and excel. ADFA does not tolerate any inappropriate behaviour and any allegations of such behaviour are immediately referred to the appropriate authorities for investigation.

Clearance	Name	Appointment	Date Time Group
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Subject: [REDACTED] HAS APPEARED IN COURT TODAY ON
ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT ON A [REDACTED] ADFA
STUDENT

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HOT ISSUES BRIEF ADFA 07/09 ONGOING ISSUE

ISSUE: [REDACTED] HAS APPEARED IN COURT TODAY ON
ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT ON A [REDACTED] ADFA STUDENT.

[REDACTED]

KEY ISSUES:

- A [REDACTED] at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) has today appeared in the ACT Supreme Court on claims that he sexually assaulted a [REDACTED] ADFA Army Officer Cadet.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- ADFA and [REDACTED] are working together to ensure that the appropriate duty of care remains paramount for the Officer Cadets and Midshipmen at ADFA.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- In October 2004, the Military Police verbally relayed to the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) information from an informant, albeit lacking in detail, that alleged that a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADFA was advised that these allegations were part of an ongoing Australian Federal Police (AFP) investigation. Because the information was unsubstantiated no action was taken against the individual at the time. No further advice was received on these allegations until 13 July 2006.

- The ADC submission 153 of 20 July 2006 advised the then MINDEF that the Military Police verbally informed Commandant ADFA and the [REDACTED] on 13 July 2006 of the alleged involvement of the [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]

This allegation had been made in addition to alleged drug taking by ADFA cadets, Royal Military College (RMC) Duntroon cadets and members of the Australian Federation Guard.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- On Friday 28 July 2006, the AFP searched the [REDACTED] private residence. Following this, [REDACTED] The [REDACTED] understands that no further action is being taken by the AFP regarding this search.

- The [REDACTED] had requested from the Military Police formal notification of the allegations and particulars on which [REDACTED] could possibly act. The general outline of the allegations, supplied by the Military Police, was provided to the [REDACTED] on 17 August 2006. The [REDACTED] solicitor subsequently contacted the [REDACTED] seeking sufficient detail to allow him to answer the allegations; however Military Police were unable to provide additional information. As a result, on 25 September 2006 the [REDACTED] was permitted to return to duty.

[REDACTED] Furthermore, on 21 September 2006 the Military Police advised that the AFP had interviewed an ex-RMC Duntroon Staff Cadet who alleged that the [REDACTED] had sexually assaulted him some time ago whilst he was at ADFA. [REDACTED]

- The ADC submission 206 of 27 September 2006 advised the then MINDEF that on further investigation and after consulting with the [REDACTED] solicitor, the [REDACTED] determined that there was insufficient evidence to confirm the allegations of [REDACTED] or to continue the [REDACTED] suspension.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- ADFA and [REDACTED] continue to work together to ensure that the appropriate duty of care remains paramount for the Officer Cadets and Midshipmen at ADFA.

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COMDT ADFA

Date issued: 27 May 2009

**CONTINGENCY TALKING POINTS
UNSW@ADFA STAFF MEMBER IN COURT OVER A SEXUAL ASSULT ON A
FORMER ADFA CADET**

- Defence is aware that a [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] at the Australian Defence Force Academy has appeared in the ACT Supreme Court.

[REDACTED]

- It would be inappropriate for Defence to comment on this matter as it is before the Court.
- ADFA is committed to providing a safe, equitable and caring environment where cadets can thrive and excel. ADFA does not tolerate any inappropriate behaviour and any allegations of such behaviour are immediately referred to the appropriate authorities for investigation.

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From: Petersen, Paul COL

Sent: Friday, 8 April 2011 12:42

To: MacKenzie, John COL; Kafer, Bruce CDRE; Mathias, Sharelle MS; Brewer, David SQNLDR
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Subject: Sexual assaults at ADFA [SEC=RESTRICTED]

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Sir and JJ,

Our records from January 2009 are completely accurate:

March 09 female sexually assaulted in Civic (██████████) by an unknown assailant. Reported direct to civpol. No evidence to support the confirmation of a suspect, therefore no conviction. Case is (technically) still open. member has left ADFA ██████████
██████████

9 Aug 09 female sexually assaulted ██████████. QA, HIB, AFP investigation. No evidence to support the confirmation of a suspect. no conviction. Case is still open.

19 Apr 10 female made allegations of sexual assault in ██████████
██████████. QA, HIB, ADFIS, AFP. No conviction. ██████████
██████████.

Our records pre-2009 are, frankly, patchy.

19 Oct 08 female assaulted while in a civilian hotel (ADFA divisional EOY function at ██████████ QA, CIVPOL. ADFA has no record of a conviction. member no longer at ADFA, but graduated ██████████.

Date TBC (but before 2008) male ██████████ alleged sexual assault of a ██████████
student of ADFA

30 Apr 06 female allegedly sexually assaulted by a male ADFA ██████████. I have not yet found a record of this case's resolution

Also:

1 Apr 11 sexual images broadcast on Skype without participants consent. QA, HIB, ADFIS, AFP. Case remains open.

We are continuing to cross reference written records with elec records. I will update this list if it changes. I have not included sexual offences relating to cadets which were alleged to have occurred before they came to ADFA.

I will vouch for everything 2009 +. I would be cautious with info pre 2009.

PP

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