

**AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE LEGAL SERVICES**  
**CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**MEETING OF 29 NOV 06**

**COMMITTEE DECISION 160/06**

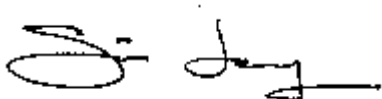
**Subject: Policy – Study Leave to undertake Legal Training Module (LTM)  
subject examinations/papers**

**The Committee noted:**

1. The professional development program for ADF Legal Officers approved in the DFRT Decisions on the Legal Officers' Specialist Officer Career Structure (LOSOCS) and that under the professional development program attainment of academic qualifications is part of the criteria for advancement in legal competency levels (CL formerly LL).
2. That in CPDC Policy Decision 194/03 the Committee decided that:
  - a. *subject to training days being available, Reserve legal officers undertaking LTM subject examinations/papers may claim a **maximum** of three (3) days per subject; and*
  - b. *LTM 1 is regarded as one subject for the purposes of claiming training days.*
3. That DMLC identified that there needs to be a policy covering study leave for legal officers in the permanent force.

**The Committee decided to agree:**

1. Legal Officers in the permanent force will need to seek approval for study leave.
2. If a commander seeks guidance on the amount of short leave to be approved, the LO CPDC considers that short leave of three days per subject is reasonable.



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