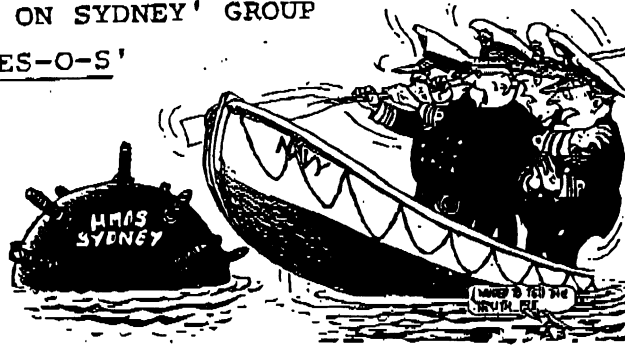


To, FAX: [REDACTED]; Part One of Three.

'END SECRECY ON SYDNEY' GROUP  
'ES-O-S'



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The Secretary  
HMAS SYDNEY II  
Commission of Inquiry  
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270 Pitt Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Secretary

I respond to Inquiry request for individuals'/organisations' relevant information submissions and material for scrutiny by the Commission.

In public interest and on behalf of myself and 'End Secrecy On SYDNEY Group' (ES-O-S) I hereby comply with that request; ES-O-S status briefly described, herewith. Owing mainly to physical disability I am presently unable to travel inter-State.

Nature of my intended submissions is, politically and otherwise, sensitive; also overly complex to persons not greatly familiar with subject history. Besides being quite voluminous my submissions also reveal grave transgressions by parties associated with events peculiar to loss of SYDNEY and her entire Company. Therefore, even if permitted by Inquiry, no possible proxy of my acquaintance could satisfactorily present to the Commission my submissions and evidence.

My evidence can only be effective and understood, easily and clearly, by oral and written submission to either the Commission or a law enforcement agency, i.e., Australian Federal Police who are long aware of this particular situation concerning the quest for truth of loss of SYDNEY and 645 Australian and British Servicemen

However, apparently publicly unannounced, the Commission may have adopted a format employed by 1998 FADAT HMAS SYDNEY II inconclusive inquiry, i.e., conducting Capital Cities Hearings so that those who have definite evidence to give may be clearly heard in public forum.

In fact, two days ago, 28 May, two Commission (?) officers, Messrs Matthew Vesper and Bradley Jones arrived here in Perth and interviewed ex-HMAS SYDNEY personnel..

Therefore, I respectfully request Commission instruction as to why that same convenience cannot be available to public with definite evidence to present.

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Part Two of Three; HMAS SYDNEY II Inquiry/John Doohan.

Here, I feel compelled to add that much of my own significant written relevant evidence, afore mentioned, tabled on 28 February 2002 in Western Australia Parliament was on 4 March 2002 delivered, by myself, into custody of Air Chief Marshal Houston, himself. [Ref:CAF 2001/17842/1, Air Force Management.]

No known effort has been made to assess it. It forms comparatively small part of my intended submissions and is currently immediately available to Commission from the Air Chief Marshal's office.

Respectfully concluding, I apologise for unavoidable lateness of this communication.

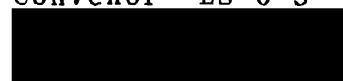
In essence, I have endeavoured to meet Commission's requirement for identification of 'basis, nature and extent of potential interest sought to be represented'; thereby, making known my present inability to present significant information, necessarily orally, to the Commission.

In anticipation of your earliest advice,

I am, faithfully,



(John Doohan)  
Convenor 'ES-O-S' Group



30 May 2008.