Information and Cyber

- The world is increasingly connected, with countries and corporations highly reliant on information and internet-based communication, while cyber threats to Government and commerce posed by malicious actors have increased.
- Investments in Defence and the Australian Signals Directorate’s information and cyber capabilities will ensure we can share information reliably and securely across Defence, including our deployed forces, with other Government agencies, and with our international partners.
- Defence and the Australian Signals Directorate will enhance offensive cyber capabilities, and the ability to deploy these capabilities on operations, to ensure Defence can play its part in deterring or responding to cyber threats to the ADF and Australia.

CAPABILITY INVESTMENT – APPROXIMATELY $15 BILLION TO 2030

**Joint Cyber**
Investments in people and systems to enable defensive and offensive cyber operations and to counter cyber-attacks on Australia, Defence and deployed forces.

**Joint command, control, communications and computers (C4)**
Upgrades to the Deployable Joint Force Headquarters and the 1st Signals Regiment to make communications capability more deployable and survivable.

**Joint intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance**
Additional investments for joint processing, exploitation and dissemination capabilities and infrastructure to ensure the ADF has superior situational awareness and the data necessary to support the use of precision weapons.

New investments in ADF influence activities to support Defence’s capacity to shape Australia’s operating environment.

**Joint electronic warfare**
Continued investments in joint electronic warfare battle management and analysis to enable operations and activities in the electromagnetic spectrum.

**Strategic intelligence and cyber**
Continued investments in signals intelligence systems and expanding and upgrading systems for delivering top secret information and communications to strengthen Defence’s warfighting capability.

**Enhanced cyber security defences**
Strengthening the intelligence and cyber capabilities of the Australian Signals Directorate to protect government agencies, critical infrastructure, businesses and the Australian community from malicious cyber activity.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE INDUSTRY

Investments in multinational information sharing systems and the upgrade of joint intelligence training facilities will provide opportunities for Australian companies.