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|  |                | <b>NOTING BRIEF FOR CDF:</b><br><br><b>IGADF MONTHLY UPDATE – MAY 2022</b> |                                |
| Group/Service:  | IGADF          | Reference:   | EC22-001836 (IGADF/BN46156808) |
| For information:  | Not applicable | Due date:  | 23 May 22<br>Routine           |

### Purpose

- To update you on significant issues as well as planned activities.

### Recommendation

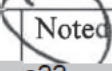
- That you note updates on significant cases (Annex A) and IGADF data (Annex B).

### Key Issues

- Education on trauma-informed approaches.** IGADF full-time staff and some part-time staff are participating in vicarious trauma training. This will ensure IGADF staff have up-to-date training. The training will also ensure that those persons with whom IGADF staff interact – complainants, grieving families, witnesses and officials – are treated not only professionally but also sensitively and compassionately.

- s47C

- s37(1)(a)

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|  |  | Noted / Please discuss                             |  |
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6. s37(1)(a)

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7. **Military justice performance audit program.** Audit rates are gradually returning to pre-COVID levels. s47E(c)

[REDACTED]

8. s47E(c)

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9. **Advertising in Service newspapers.** An advertisement reminding readers of IGADF's independence, as well as how to make a submission to IGADF, appeared in the most recent editions of all three Service newspapers. OIGADF advised the Minister's office before the advertisement's publication. The number of new submissions OIGADF has received since the advertisement's publication does not appear inconsistent with recent averages. Therefore, the advertisement's impact, if any, is unknown. The rate of submissions to OIGADF this calendar year continues to be higher than the previous historical average, demonstrating apparently ongoing confidence in IGADF processes.

10. **14<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Ombuds Institutions for Armed and Security Forces.** As you are aware, Australia co-hosted last year's Conference. At the invitation of this year's co-hosts, two IGADF staff members are in Oslo, Norway providing guidance on proposed content and on contingency plans for online delivery should an in-person Conference not be possible. Participation in this international conference enables Australia to contribute to and influence discourse about effective oversight of armed and security forces' activities.

**Annexes:**

- A. Update of significant cases
- B. Trend data

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Trend Data Update to 01 May 2022

## AUDITS

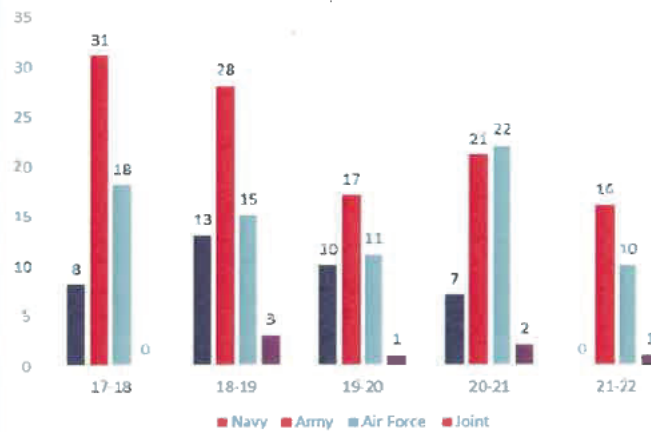
### April 2022

- 2 audits conducted
- 23 SQN
- 295 SQN
- 80 Air Force participants attended an IGADF focus group

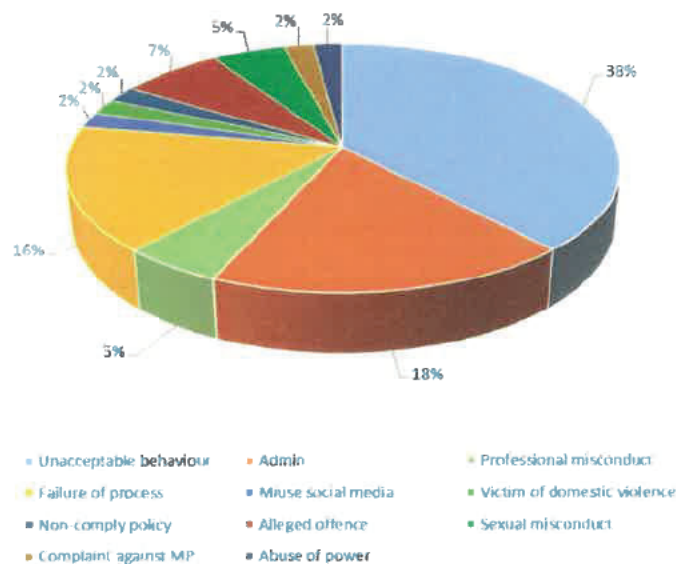
### May 2022

- 8 audits and 4 focus group activities scheduled for May 2022
- 77 SQN
- 381 SQN
- SACTU
- HMAS Moreton
- 1 CCS
- 35 SQN
- 7 SIG REGT
- CATC
- 17 SQN focus group activity
- 75 SQN focus group activity
- CASG Ships focus group activity
- 1 CCS focus group activity

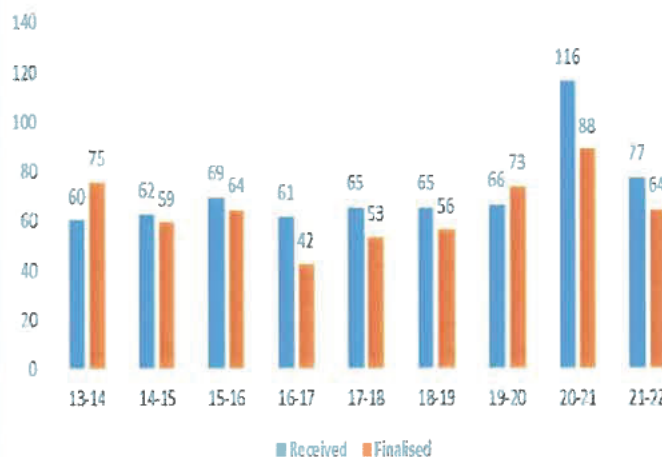
Audits By Financial Year



Submission Categories 2020-21



Submission case load summary each financial year



## INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

### April 2022

- 9 submissions received
- 6 unacceptable behaviour
- 2 failure of process
- 1 admin mismanagement
- 6 inquiries finalised
- 2 unacceptable behaviour
- 1 error of law
- 1 non-compliance with policy
- 2 failure of process
- 1 Military Police complaint received
- 3 Military Police complaint finalised

### FY2021-22

- 77 submissions received
- 64 inquiries finalised
- 20 Military Police complaints received
- 13 Military Police complaints finalised

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## April 2022

- 21 grievance complaints (Navy 4, Army 11 and Air Force 6) submitted under DR 2016
- 18 grievance complaints finalised (Navy 3, Army 12 and Air Force 3)
- 86 grievance complaints (Navy 20, Army 38 and Air Force 28) under consideration at 30Apr22

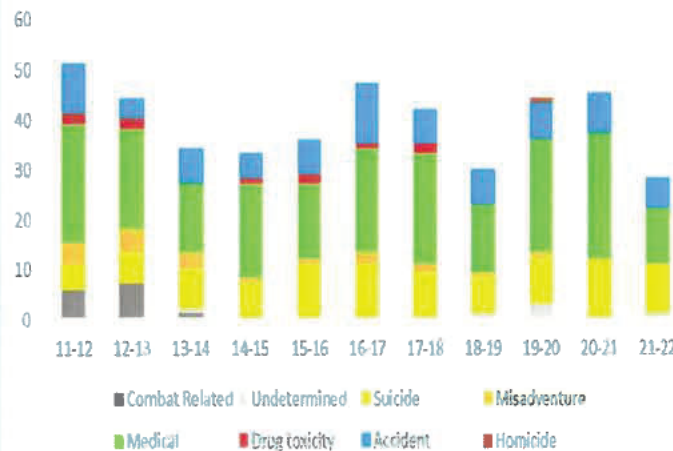
## FY2021-22

- 146 grievance complaints (Navy 41, Army 71 and Air Force 34) submitted under DR 2016
- 138 grievance complaints finalised (Navy 31, Army 62 and Air Force 27)

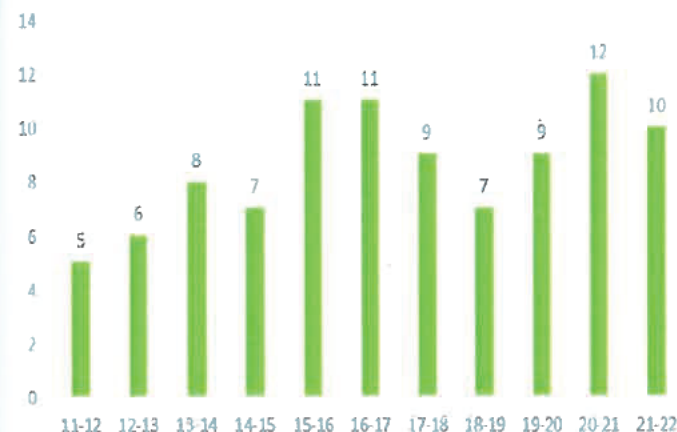
Grievance Complaints by financial year



Cause of death each financial year



Suicide by financial year



## DEATH INQUIRIES

## April 2022

- 5 deaths reported
  - 1 suicide
  - 4 medical
- 8 inquiries finalised
  - 4 suicide
  - 3 medical
  - 1 undetermined

## FY2021-22

- 28 deaths reported
  - 10 suicide
  - 6 accident
  - 11 medical
  - 1 undetermined
- 30 inquiries finalised
  - 6 accident
  - 15 medical
  - 8 suicide
  - 1 undetermined