

From: s47E(d) on behalf of [Disposal Tender](#)
To: s47F
Cc: s47E(d)
Subject: 190510 1107 - [Disposal Tender]- s47F AHO Expression of Interest for F/A-18 aircraft
Date: Friday, 10 May 2019 11:07:00 AM
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Good morning,

Please find attached Expression of Interest request letter from the Department of Defence in relation to F/A-18 aircraft.

Kind regards,

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Cc: s47E(d)
Subject: 190510 1108 - [Disposal Tender]-s47G AHO Expression of Interest for F/A-18 aircraft
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Cc: s47E(d)
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Cc: s47E(d)
Subject: 190510 1104 - [Disposal Tender]-s47G AHO Expression of Interest
for F/A-18 aircraft
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for F/A-18 aircraft
Date: Friday, 10 May 2019 11:03:00 AM
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To: s47F s47G
Cc: s47E(d)
Bcc:
Subject: 190510 1045 - [Disposal Tender]-s47F AHO Expression of Interest for F/A-18 aircraft
Date: Friday, 10 May 2019 10:45:00 AM
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Subject: 190510 1040 - [Disposal Tender]-s47F AHO Expression of Interest for F/A-18 aircraft
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Cc: s47E(d)
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Subject: 190510 1048 - [Disposal Tender] s47G AHO Expression of Interest for F/A-18 aircraft
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Cc: s47E(d)
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On completion of the PowerPoint presentation the floor opened for questions.

Question 1

Can aircraft be flown to AHOs location.

Response

No, AHOs will be required to collect the aircraft from a Commonwealth nominated location.

Question 2

Will the Commonwealth provide ongoing maintenance support to AHOs.

Response 2

No, aircraft ownership will transfer to AHOs. The Commonwealth may provide general documentation, however it will not warrant or guarantee the information is correct.

Question 3

Will the Commonwealth provide equipment and tooling for aircraft maintenance.

Answer 3

It is expected there will be a minimal (potentially none) equipment and tooling provided with the aircraft if aircraft are sold to AHOs.

Question 4

During PowerPoint presentation it was stated that the Commonwealth would view locations to confirm AHOs can store aircraft inside. When is the Commonwealth expected to conduct these site inspections.

Response 4

Allocation of FA 18 to AHOs is not confirmed yet, and the potential sale is two years out. At this stage the Commonwealth anticipates to conduct site inspection at the end of 2020, however confirmation of timeframes is to be provided at a later date.

Questions 4

Will the aircraft when loaded on transportation truck be considered a wide load.

Response 4

At this stage aircraft configuration for transport and display is unknown. The Commonwealth is currently working with Defence industry and foreign allied Governments to confirm aircraft configuration for transport and display.

Questions 5

Will the aircrafts undercarriage be up or down when loaded on trucks for transportation.

Response 5

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Question 6

Will the aircraft come with transportation cradles.

Answer 6

At this stage aircraft configuration and required equipment is not known.

Question 7

When you the Commonwealth refers to Defence industry, does is this in reference to the SPO or a non-government entity.

Answer 7

Defence industry refers to a non-government entity.

Question 8

Will FA 18 guns be included with the aircraft.

Response 8

Aircraft display configuration; including the potential for FA 18 guns is not known. However, it is highly unlikely the Commonwealth will be offering FA 18 guns for display with aircraft.

Question 9

Are AHOs to submit their expression on interest in the standard EOI form or can they submit their EOI in an alternate format.

Answer 9

AHOs can submit their EOI in the standard EOI form or they can submit their EOI in alternate format.

The Commonwealth requests AHOs address all requirements as outlined in the EOI letter sent to them from the Commonwealth.

Question 10

What is the process after the EOI are submitted.

Answer 10

The Commonwealth will review the EOI submitted from AHOs and use the information to continue planning. If aircraft are sold to AHOs the Commonwealth may send AHOs who submitted EOIs an

additional request for information. The information provided by the AHOs may then be reviewed by the Commonwealth to confirm AHOs meet specified evaluation criteria.

Information session closed 1200.

s47E(d) sent all AHOs who participated in the information session a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.

Attachment A – AHO PowerPoint Presentation

Attachment B – EOI Letter to AHOs



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Australian Heritage Organisations Information Session

F/A-18 Classic Hornet



Objective ID: BM6402027
Location: Building 25
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Date: 7 June 2019



Agenda

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- 03 – F/A-18 Classic Hornet Operation Overview
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- 06 – Export Controls
- 07 – Potential Sale of F/A-18 to AHOs Overview
- 08 – EOIs Sent to AHOs
- 09 – Potential Configuration of Aircraft
- 10 – Invitation to Register
- 11 – Problematic Substance and Health & Safety
- 12 – Questions
- 13 – Closing Comments

1. Opening Comments

- Welcome and Introductions
- House Keeping




2. F/A-18 Classic Hornet History Overview

- Australian Government in November 1981 contracted to buy 75 F/A-18A/B aircraft.
- The main contractors for the F/A-18 A/B were McDonnell Douglas Aerospace (MDA) and General Electric (GE). MDA, as the prime contractor and GE was responsible for development and provision of the F404 engine.
- The first two aircraft (A21-101 and 102) were manufactured in Saint Louis USA on 29 October 1984. Both aircraft were then flown to Australia in a record-breaking non-stop ferry flight arriving in WLM on 17 May 1985.
- The remaining aircraft were assembled by Government Aircraft Factories (GAF) located at Avalon Victoria.
- The RAAF begin to retire F/A-18 aircraft in 2018, and the last aircraft are scheduled to leave service at the end of 2021.

3. F/A-18 Classic Hornet Operational Overview

- The first Hornet operational deployment occurred when RAAF F/A-18s provided security for the American air base at Diego Garcia between late 2001 and early 2002 (as part of 'Operation SLIPPER').
- The first combat deployment of the RAAF's Hornets was as part of "Operation FALCONER" in 2003 in Iraq.
- Most recently, Hornets were engaged in combat missions as part of the Air Task Group for 'Operation OKRA'. F/A-18A Hornet involvement in Op OKRA commenced in March 2015.

4. Commonwealth Heritage Allocated Aircraft

Tail Numbers	Allocations
A21-040	<div>s47G</div> 
A21-022	
A21-103	
A21-043	
A21-101	
A21-023	
A21-029	
A21-001	
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5. Air Force Significant Heritage Identified Aircraft

Tail Numbers	Combat Provenance
A21-012	FALCONER
A21-027	FALCONER
A21-101	NIL
A21-102	NIL

6. US Export Controls

- F/A-18 Aircraft were purchased under U.S Foreign (FMS) arrangements.
- U.S Government Department of State (DoS) approval for change of end-use and user is required for F/A-18 if they are sold to AHOs as static display.
- Specific configuration of airframe needs to be identified in the Commonwealth's submission to the DoS.
- Multiple assurance letters required in support of Commonwealth request to DoS. It is important that all Parties involved in process are identified (incl assurance letters), including subcontractors.
- Approval from the DoS may take considerable time, in excessive of 6 months.
- F/A-18 Aircraft will not be sold without DoS approval.

7. Potential Sale of F/A-18 to AHOs Overview

- Any sale of aircraft is subject to DoS approval.
- If sold, aircraft will be sold for static display purpose only.
- If sold, aircraft will be heavily demilitarised.
- If sold, AHOs must store , display and maintain aircraft securely indoors.
- If sold, aircraft will be sold on a as is, where is basis.
- If sold, the Commonwealth will not provide any ongoing support or maintenance.
- If sold, aircraft will be sold for \$25,000.00 per aircraft, plus any transport and re-assembly cost associated with the sale.
- If sold, AHO's can not on sale aircraft without Commonwealth and US DoS approval.
- If sold, aircraft will not be made available to AHOs prior to RAAF's 100th birthday in 2021.

8. EOIs Sent to AHOs

- On 10 May 2019 the Commonwealth sent an Request for Expression of Interest (RFEOI) to 13 Australian Heritage Organisations.
- The RFEOI is to ascertain the level interest from AHOs in acquiring F/A-18 aircraft, and for Commonwealth planning purposes.
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AHO Information Session: F/A-18 Classic Hornet



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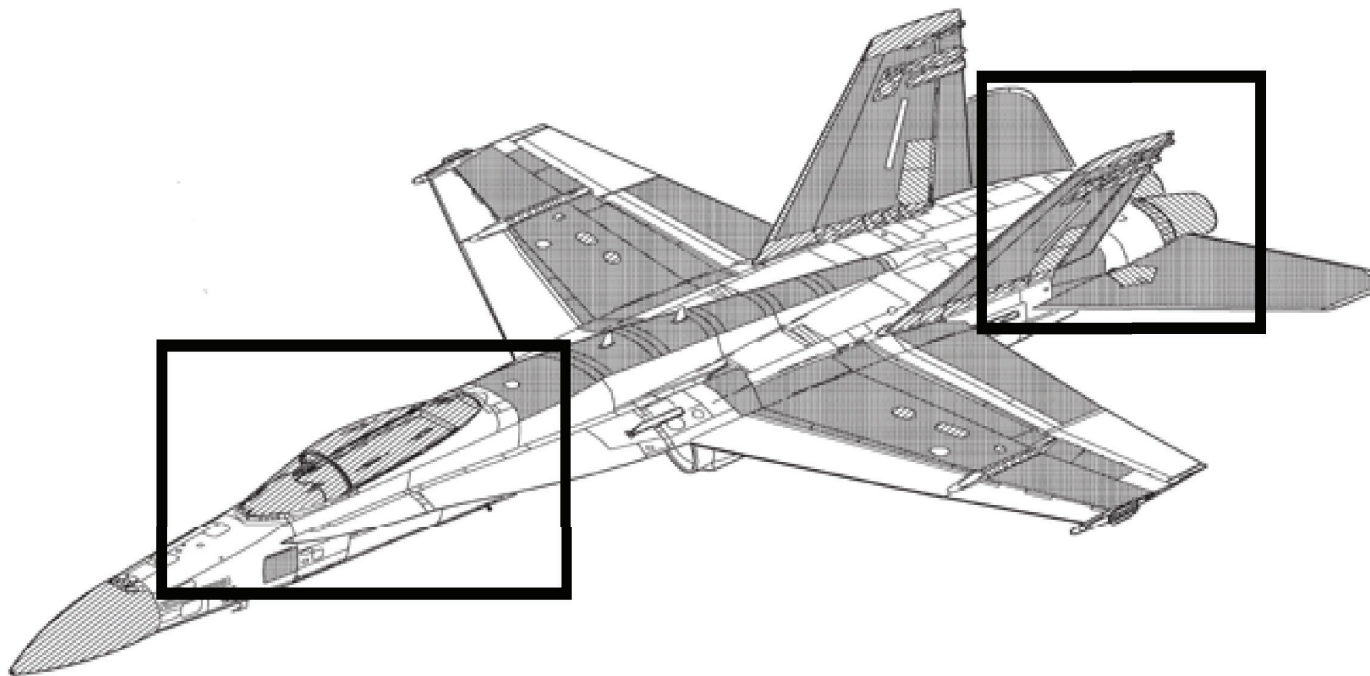
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9. Potential Configuration of Aircraft



10. Invitation to Register

- On review of the EOIs the Commonwealth may present AHOs with an Invitation to Register (ITR) for F/A-18 aircraft allocation.
- Any ITR will request AHOs to submitted supporting documentation that will be reviewed and evaluated by a Commonwealth evaluation team.

10. Invitation to Register

- ITR Request for Supporting Documentation (sample only)
 - Respondent's Corporate Information
 - Financial Capacity
 - Past Performance
 - Referees
 - Directors
 - Identification of Risk
 - Preference of Asset(s)
 - Respondent's connection to the Asset(s) and proposed use of the Asset.

10. Invitation to Register

- ITR Evaluation Criteria (sample only)
 - Whether Respondent's meets the definition of an Australian Heritage Originations
 - The extent to which the Respondent has any historical and/or cultural connection with the Asset(s) or the type of Asset
 - The Respondent's ability to manage work health and safety issues, Problematic Substances issues and Environmental issues
 - The Respondent's proposed end use of the Asset(s) and whether, if U.S. export controlled, appropriate authorisation from the United States Government can be obtained for the new user and end use

10. Invitation to Register

- ITR Evaluation Criteria (sample only) continued
 - The corporate structure and the financial and corporate viability of the Respondent
 - Respondent's capability and capacity to adequately prepare, preserve and maintain the aircraft as a heritage asset.
 - Respondent's ability store the asset inside in a secure location that protects the asset from deterioration, vandalism, unauthorised component removal and damage
 - The extent to which the Respondent meets the requirement set out in the draft Deed of Transfer and the assessed level of risk relation to any resultant Deed of Transfer acceptable to the Commonwealth.
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11. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety

- Fuels, Lubricants and Liquids
 - Aviation Fuel
 - Hydraulic oil
 - Coolants
 - Lubricants
- Other
 - Explosives
 - Radiation sources
 - Batteries
- Materials
 - Advance Composite Materials
 - Asbestos
 - Cadmium
 - Beryllium
 - Chromates

11. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety - Fuels, Lubricants and Liquids

- F-34 – Aviation Fuel
 - Residual may remain following tanks and pipework being purged and vented
- Lubricating Greases
 - Various
- Lubricating Oils
 - Including O-190 and H-537 - Residual may remain following reservoirs and pipework being purged and vented
- RADAR Coolant
 - RADAR and Coolant removed prior to display
- Corrosion preventative Compounds
- Dry film PTFE release agent

10. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety - Materials

- Advanced Composite Materials (ACM) and adhesive bonded repairs
 - A large portion of the Hornet aircraft (12.1%) is manufactured from ACM, and can prove hazardous if damaged.
- Chrysotile Asbestos (EA934)
 - Typically used in asbestos cement and friction products, heat shields, seals and gaskets. Asbestos items and adhesives are present on a number of Hornet components.
- Cadmium
 - Cadmium coated surfaces are present on a large number of Hornet components in order to inhibit corrosion.
- Hexavalent Chromates
 - Used in all aircraft primer paint

11. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety - Materials

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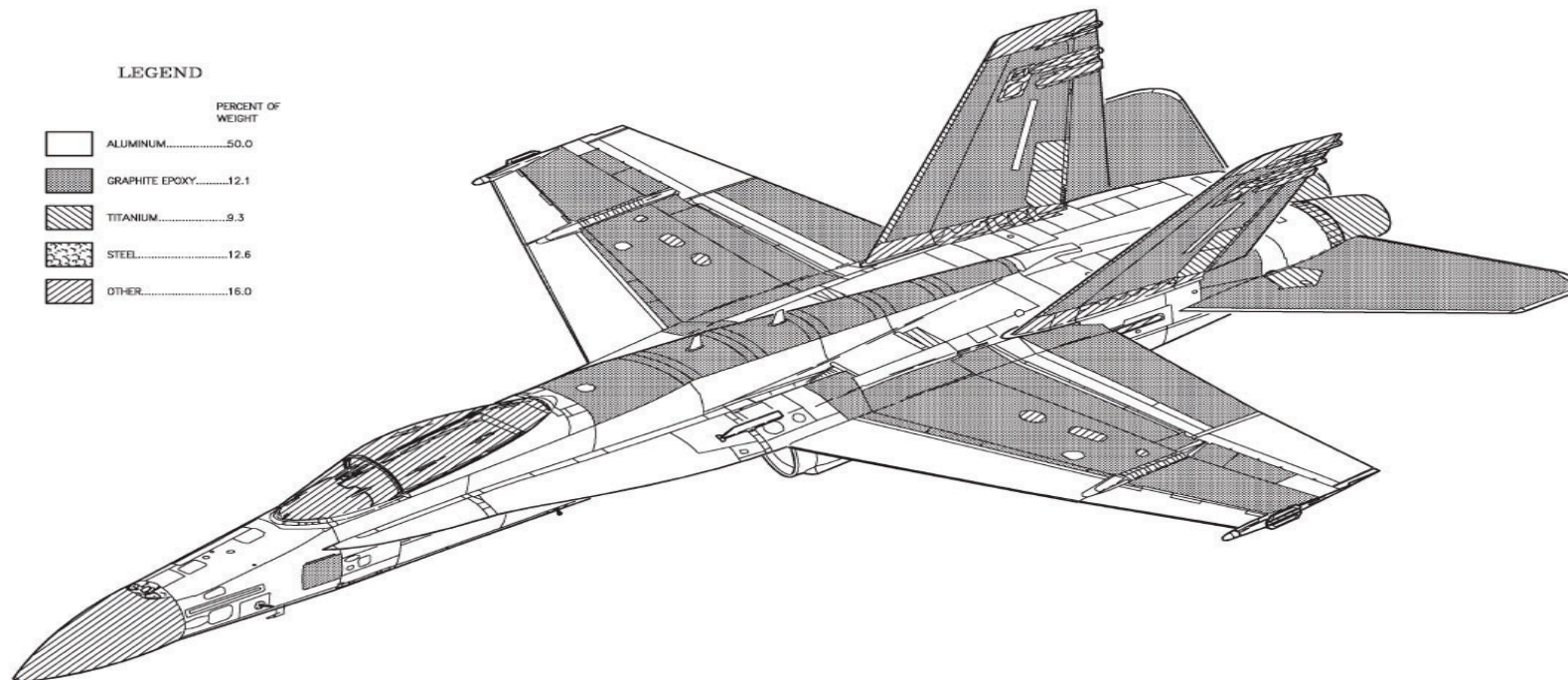


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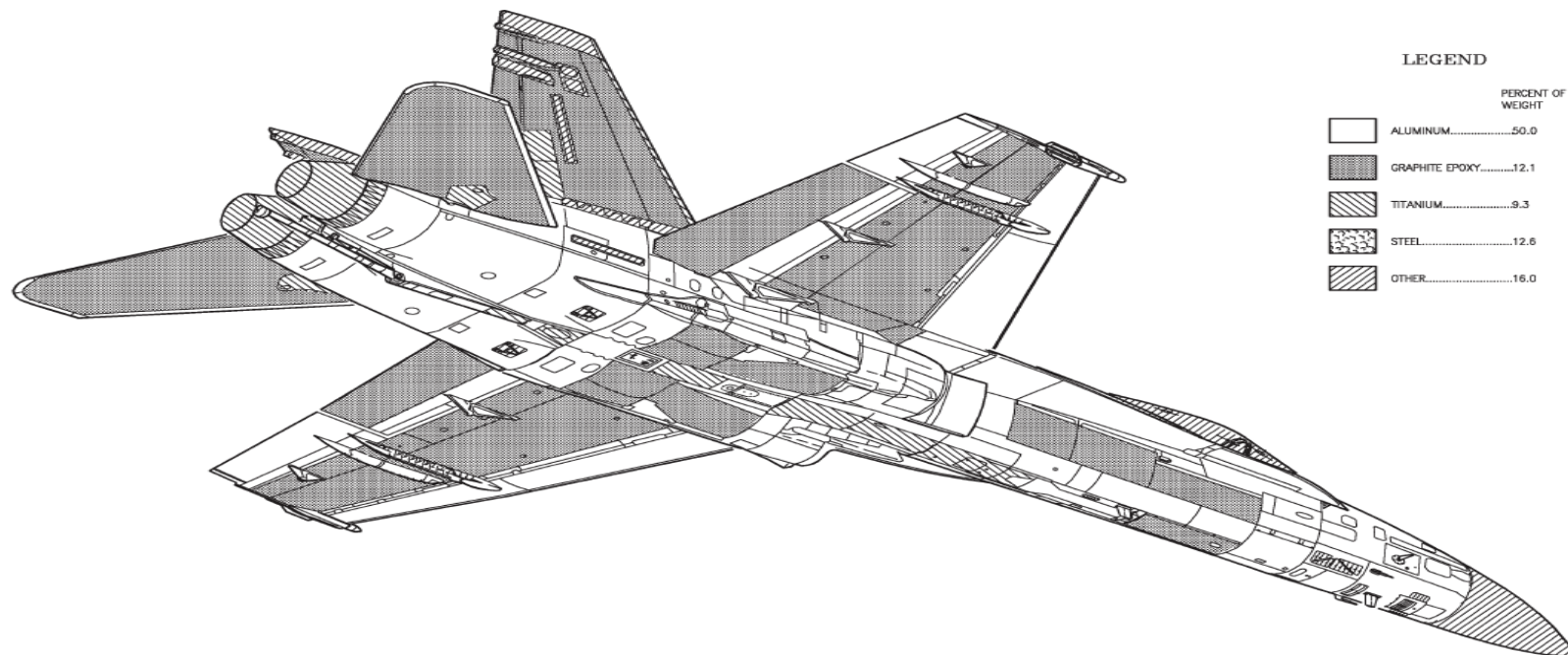


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- BERYLLIUM COPPER
 - The Hornet aircraft utilises Beryllium and Beryllium Copper Compounds, these compounds are extremely toxic.
- Blast Diffuser and Gun Bay
 - Gun operation creates beryllium copper dust. This dust may be present in and around the aircraft nose, barrel and gun bay areas. The Gun system will be removed and the Gun Bay will have been cleaned by the CoA prior to display.
- Electro Magnetic Interference (EMI) Fingers
 - Various panels & doors are fitted with EMI protection fingers. These fingers are manufactured from Beryllium Copper.

11. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety - Other

- Explosives
 - Cord Detonating
 - Fuzes
 - Pyrotechnic - Flare / Countermeasures / Signal Kit
 - Initiators
 - Cartridge Activated Devices – Fire Extinguishers and Impulse devices
- All explosive devices will be removed from the aircraft by the CoA prior to display.

11. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety - Other

- Radioactive Material
 - All Radioactive material will be removed from the aircraft by the CoA prior to display.
- Batteries
 - All Lead Acid, Alkaline and Lithium batteries will be removed from the aircraft by the CoA prior to display.

11. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety – General Hazards

- The following areas of the aircraft hold an increased risk of causing harm if contacted by personnel resulting in; Head knocks, Cuts and Abrasions, Finger/Arm entrapment, falling injuries.
 - Nose & Main Undercarriage Bays
 - Probes, Antennas and Aerials
 - Control surfaces, under wing pylons, doors and access panels, arrestor hook
 - Areas where residual fuel & oil may be present
 - Working at Height

11. Problematic Substance and Health & Safety – Removed Hazards

- Explosive charges and ordnance
- RADHAZ - Ionising & non-ionising radiation sources
- Oxygen systems
- Fire Extinguishing Ozone depleting substances
- Fuel tanks – drained, de-puddled & purged
- Hydraulic systems depressurised, drained & purged
- Pneumatic systems depressurised
- Batteries removed
- Tyres reduced to minimum pressure
- Undercarriage & Hook locking pins replaced with bolts

12. Questions



13. Closing Comments



F/A-18 Top 20 Heritage Aircraft Availability Assessment

Serial	Top 20	s47E(d)		
1	A21-001			
2	A21-007			
3	A21-011			
4	A21-012			
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6	A21-018			
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12	A21-040			
13	A21-043			
14	A21-046			
15	A21-055			
16	A21-056			
17	A21-057			
18	A21-101			
19	A21-102			
20	A21-103			

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FA-18 Hornet Hazardous Substances and Materials:

Reference:

A. F/A-18 HORNET FLEET DISPOSAL - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ANALYSIS, Enclosure 6 to Disposal Strategy, Document AP2649190

- Fuels, Lubricants and Liquids;
 - Aviation Fuel
 - Hydraulic oil
 - Coolants
 - Lubricants
- Materials;
 - Composite Fibre
 - Asbestos
 - Cadmium
 - Beryllium
- Other;
 - Explosives
 - Radiation sources
 - Batteries

Fuels, Lubricants and Liquids

- **F-34 – Aviation Fuel** - *Residual may remain following tanks and pipework being purged and vented*
- **Lubricating Greases** - various
- **Lubricating Oils** - including O-190 and H-537 - *Residual may remain following reservoirs and pipework being purged and vented*
- **RADAR Coolant** - *Removed prior to display*
- **Corrosion preventative Compounds**
- **Dry film PTFE release agent**

Materials

- **Composite Fibres and adhesive bonded repairs**

A large portion of the Hornet aircraft (12.1%) is manufactured from Composite materials, and can prove hazardous if damaged.

- **Chrysotile Asbestos**

Chrysotile Asbestos is a hazardous substance and known carcinogen. It has typically been used in asbestos cement and friction products, heat shields, seals and gaskets. Asbestos items and adhesives are present on a number of Hornet components.

- **Cadmium**

Cadmium coated surfaces are present on a number of Hornet components in order to inhibit corrosion.

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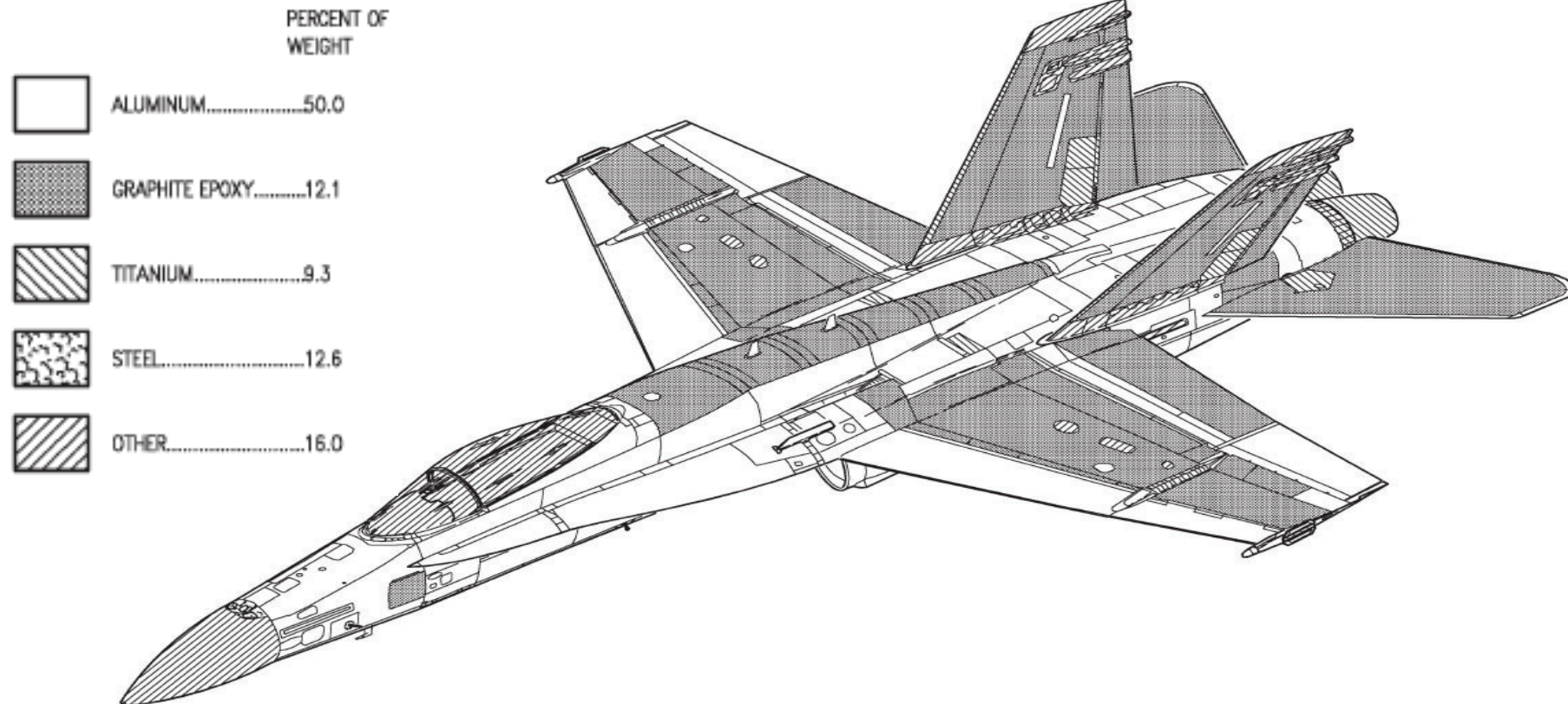


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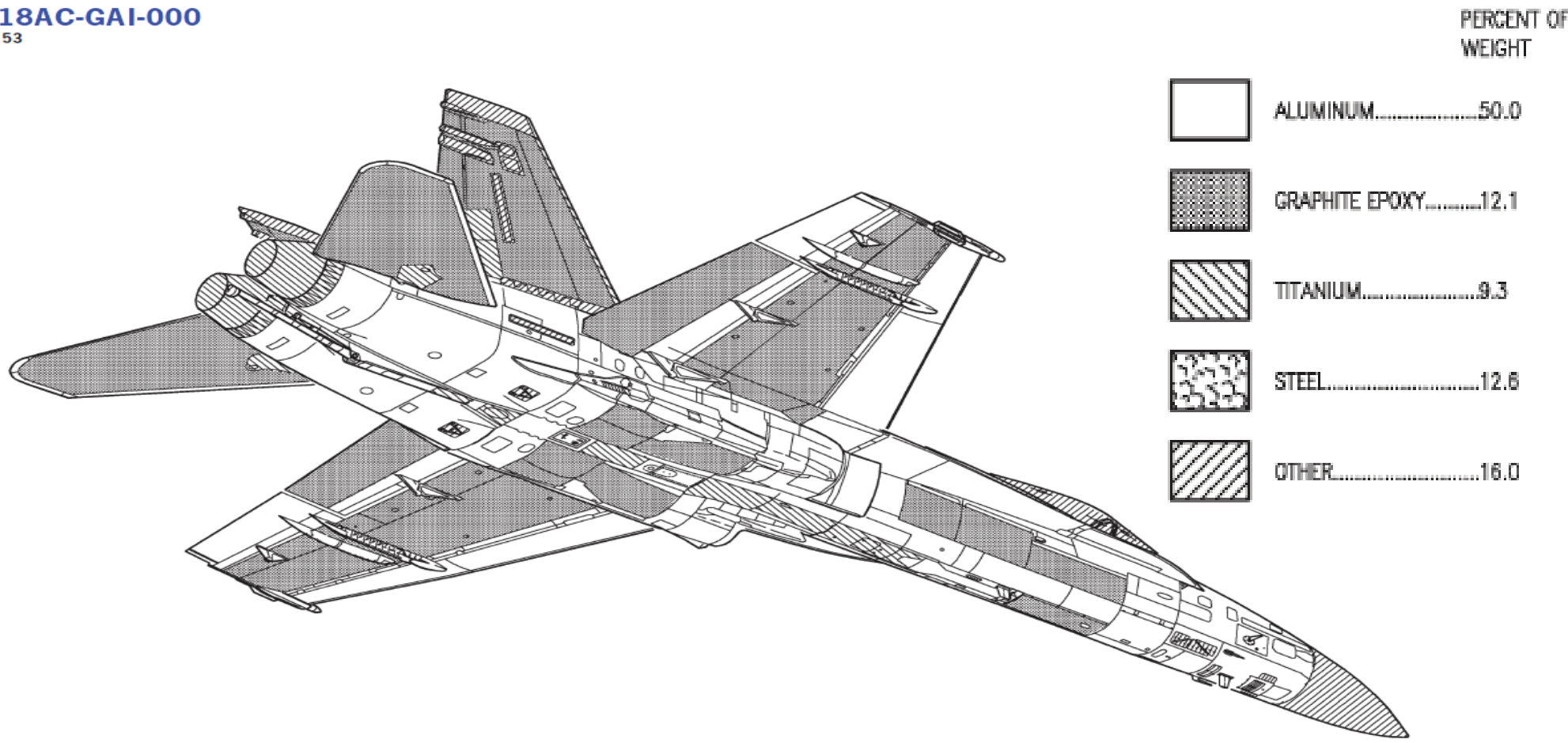


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The blast diffuser contains a bearing manufactured using Beryllium Copper. As this bearing wears, beryllium copper dust is created. This dust may be present in and around the nose barrel and gun bay areas.

The Gun System and Gun Bay will have been cleaned prior to display

EMI Fingers

Various panels/doors are fitted with Electro Magnetic Interference (EMI) protection fingers. These fingers are manufactured from Beryllium Copper.

Explosives

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- Fuzes
- Pyrotechnic - Flare / Countermeasures / Signal Kit
- Initiators
- Cartridge Activated Devices – Fire Extinguishers and Impulse devices

Radiation Sources

All sources of Radiation will be removed from the aircraft prior to display.

Batteries

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DISPOSITION OF HERITAGE CLASSIC HORNETS

Reference:

A. Minute - BP5409024, CAF-MLDS: Revised Heritage F/A-18A/B Retention Strategy of 01 Dec 19

1. Reference A advised CAF preference/guidance for retention of eight heritage Classic Hornets.

2. Email advice from MLDS of 06 Feb 20 (reinforced by several telecons) indicates that heritage Hornets for civil aviation heritage organisations (AHOs) may only become available if/when aircraft are not sold.

3. Current allocations of heritage Hornets to AF/HH-AF has two Hornets for the RAAF Museum, Point Cook (A21-43 & A21-103) and two aircraft for the RAAF WLM Aviation Heritage Centre (WLM AHC, A21-023 & A21-101). The potential for limited, if any, heritage Hornets for civil AHOs, and increasing pressure on display hangar capacity at RAAFM and WLM AHC, has forced me to review the disposition of heritage Hornets across the country and particularly to those states that are likely not to have a Heritage Hornet on public display (ie SA, NT and WA). CAF and DCAF are supportive of revised disposition of, arguably, surplus heritage Hornets currently allocated to HH-AF to ensure select AHOs in state capital cities have a Classic Hornet on public display.

4. Accordingly, I plan to redistribute and loan Classic Hornets currently allocated to HH-AF as follows:

- a. A21-101 - the ARDU trials and research aircraft, currently allocated as an internal display/2OCU air-to-air configuration to the RAAF WLM AHC, to the South Australian Aviation Museum, Adelaide.
- b. A21-103 - a non-combat provenance dual, currently allocated as an internal display/2OCU air-to-air configuration to the RAAF Museum and adds pressure on hangar capacity at the RAAFM, to the Darwin Aviation Museum, NT.
- c. A21-32 - the single-seater trials and research aircraft, currently allocated as an external display (no engines, stripped cockpit) at the Woomera AHC, to be retained

as an internal display (ie complete aircraft) for the RAAF Association WA, aviation museum in Perth.

5. In the event that a number of Classic Hornets are not taken up by overseas buyers (Canada and US Air), CAF and DCAF have suggested that a residual Hornet be allocated to the Woomera AHC; in recognition of the trials and development work undertaken by the Hornet at Woomera over 35 years, and the second-most visited AF aviation museum site in Australia.

6. I understand re-distribution and loan of Classic Hornets (-101, -103 and -32) will require review/reconsideration of ITARS sensitivities and, in the case of -32, adjustment of its display configuration from external/SDA to internal/museum standard. I seek MLDS and TFSP0 support to adjust the de-mil, distribution, and transportation plans for these aircraft.

7. The HH-AF POC for detailed coordination of the revised distribution of Classic Hornets is the Director Air Force Heritage (DAFH), s47E(d) [REDACTED]
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J Meier
AIRCDRE
DGHH-AF

Tel: s47E(d) [REDACTED]

17 Dec 20

From: s47E(d)
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [Meier, John AIRCDRE](#); s47E(d)
Subject: RE: AHO EOIs for F18s ~~[SEC-PROTECTED, DLM-SENSITIVE]~~
Date: Thursday, 6 February 2020 3:31:29 PM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

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Correct. **CAF has approved the commercial sale of all remaining aircraft** noting that eight have been allocated to preserve heritage. DCAF and HAC have been briefed by Ed and myself on the sale.

Aircraft may be allocated to external AHOs if they are not sold noting it will cost Defence \$200,000 to prepare an aircraft for an AHO and we may only recoup \$25,000 back. This option will be considered before any aircraft are scrapped.

From: s47E(d)
Sent: Thursday, 6 February 2020 3:28 PM
To: s47E(d)
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Cc: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)
s47E(d)
Subject: RE: AHO EOIs for F18s ~~[SEC-PROTECTED, DLM-SENSITIVE]~~

[REDACTED]

So...only may become available...??? No allocations to Aussie AHOs as yet....??

From: s47E(d)
Sent: Thursday, 6 February 2020 3:18 PM
To: s47E(d)
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Cc: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)
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Subject: RE: AHO EOIs for F18s **[REDACTED]**

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s47E(d) The eight aircraft allocated to heritage remain unchanged including tail 32 which has been allocated to RAAF Heritage for Woomera.

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[REDACTED]

From: s47E(d)

Sent: Thursday, 6 February 2020 12:25 PM

To: s47E(d)

Cc: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)
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Subject: AHO EOIs for F18s [SEC-PROTECTED, DLM-SENSITIVE]

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MLDS s47E(d) – I was going to discuss with you AHO EOIs for F18s at the now cancelled F18 IDPT (planned for today/Thurs 6th Feb)....

DCAF has asked that DG HH-AF/AIRCDRE Meier (and myself) keep an eye on F18s to AHOs....for CAF's SA.

So...noting that I am aware of various EOIs....and one or two of those EOIs have knock-on effects for AF Heritage (eg -101...now back to WLM AHC... -032 for SAAM..??...so, which jet for Woomera...??)...

....can I get an idea/update/SITREP on where we are at with EOIs from AHOs for F18s....???

s47E(d)

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From: Meredith, Stephen AVM s47E(d)

Sent: Monday, 25 November 2019 11:02 AM

To: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)
s47E(d)

Cc: s47E(d)

Subject: RE: F/A-18 Primary Heritage Allocation [SEC-PROTECTED, DLM-SENSITIVE]

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Thanks. Perfect. Just **need to CAF in the loop**, emails will do.

From: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)

Sent: Monday, 25 November 2019 9:07 AM

To: Meredith, Stephen AVM s47E(d)
s47E(d)

Cc: s47E(d)

Subject: RE: F/A-18 Primary Heritage Allocation [SEC-PROTECTED, DLM-SENSITIVE]

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Boss s47E(d) has been attending the CASG/Disposals meetings and has a good handle on where CASG is up to. Assuming they follow the same process as they did with the P-3 disposals, AF (me) will be invited to attend and sign over the aircraft to the appropriate AHO, and CASG have been liaising with the Minister's office for appropriate representation. Generally representation has been both state and Federal with the DPM attending the P-3 handover at Parkes. **I'll have s47E(d) confirm CASG** will be following the same process.

s47E(d) We can discuss on Wed.

From: Meredith, Stephen AVM s47E(d)

Sent: Sunday, 24 November 2019 11:56 AM

To: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)

Cc: s47E(d)

s47E(d)

Subject: RE: F/A-18 Primary Heritage Allocation [SEC-PROTECTED, DLM-SENSITIVE]

s47E(d) Thanks. The revised brief should be with CAF on Monday including the minute for CASG which should resolve the top half of the attachment. **Please liaise with CASG on the Civilian Museum EOIs to ensure we understand** the disposals approach. We will also **need to ensure that CAF sights any plans for the museums** before they occur and in sufficient time for MINDEF consideration. We will **need to remain closely linked to CASG throughout the disposals process.**

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From: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)

Sent: Monday, 18 November 2019 2:26 PM

To: Meredith, Stephen AVM s47E(d)

Cc: s47E(d)

s47E(d)

Subject: F/A-18 Primary Heritage Allocation [SEC-PROTECTED, DLM-SENSITIVE]

DCAF / Boss - You sent me the attached document which outlined proposed **allocations to various aviation heritage organisations** including overseas museum and domestic civilian organisations, and asked me to comment.

Firstly the issue of ITARS and future ownership of the aircraft ^{s47E(d)} has regular meetings with CASG and understands that CASG (Disposals) has the ITARS issue in hand. As I understand it, the aircraft will be "de-ITARSed" and ownership passed to the relevant heritage organisation thus avoiding the F-111 ITARS issue (and ongoing RAAF ownership of the F-111 fleet).

Regarding the proposed allocations to RAAF/AWM ^{s33(a)(iii)} this included a proposal for aircraft at JOC, ^{s33(a)(iii)}
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^{s33(a)(iii)} The allocation of an aircraft to JOC seeks CAF's approval, noting the additional and unfunded cost and staff work required to get an appropriate cover/slab built at JOC.

Regarding the civilian museums: HH works with most of the organisations that have submitted an EOI for a F/A-18 and most have an F-111 (or capsule) on long-term loan from RAAF. These organisations have shown they have the capability to support and maintain a complex heritage aircraft (non-flying) and are: ^{s47G}

^{s47G} Of the others:

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From: s47E(d)
To: [Meier, John AIRCDRE](#)
Subject: RE: Heritage Hornets - Civvy AHO Coord [SEC=OFFICIAL]
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Sent: Thursday, 4 February 2021 3:33 PM
To: s47E(d)
Subject: RE: Heritage Hornets - Civvy AHO Coord [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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s47E(d) | **won't do anything until we hear** if there are any aircraft leftover **after sales are complete.**

I have informally mentioned that there is a possibility of left-over aircraft and my concerns for AF if s47E(d)s47F . s47E(d)s47F
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Sent: Thursday, 4 February 2021 2:29 PM
To: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)
Subject: RE: Heritage Hornets - Civvy AHO Coord [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Boss – I don't recall anything/have nothing from Moorabbin....will dig more deeply/do record search..... **Will advise....**

s47E(d) has made it quite clear/his position...any left-overs/not shredded will be gifted by CASG/Disposals.... All Assoc ITARS etc.....CASG/SDO problem....

My read/understanding is HH-AF/You get involved with the distribution/allocation...that's it....

From: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)
Sent: Thursday, 4 February 2021 12:51 PM
To: s47E(d)

Subject: RE: Heritage Hornets - Civvy AHO Coord [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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s47E(d) seem to recall **Moorabbin asking for one** as well.

Once the final foreign sales meeting is over, I believe we need to state quite explicitly AF's position on **further loans to AHOs** if it comes to that. Something that includes words around:

Any non-shredded aircraft be transferred to AF,

AF then loans them to appropriate AHOs (as per your list plus Moorabbin),

Longer term the aircraft are gifted a la F-111,

CASG does NOT decide where the aircraft go as AF will be responsible for the long term supervision of their security, maintenance etc.

From: s47E(d)

Sent: Thursday, 4 February 2021 8:52 AM

To: s47E(d)

Cc: Meier, John AIRCDRE s47E(d)

s47E(d)

Subject: Heritage Hornets - Civvy AHO Coord [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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SDO / G'day s47E(d) – thanks for the 'reinvigorated' IDPT Wed 03 Feb..... Great outcomes for AF Heritage.... And HH-AF/DAFH appreciates the working group (led by s47E(d) at the tactical level dealing with config, delivery and transport plans...as much of this will require detailed coord with DAFH and the heritage tech teams.

At the beginning of the IDPT meeting you noted: A) 'There are numerous EOIs from civvy AHOs'....and B) 'there are no spare Hornets' [for civvy museums].

Noting the current 'no spare Hornets', CAF & DCAF have endorsed the HH-AF/DG Meier concept/intent of a national approach to the distribution of three Hornets earmarked for AF/HH-AF...ie the relocation of -101 to Adelaide/SAAM, -103 to Darwin/DAM and -32 to RAAF A Bull Creek/Perth.

As a member/exec of the National Aviation Museums Assoc, DG Meier...and hence myself...are aware of several EOIs from civil AHOs. Any AHO with an EOI would have to show the acft would be undercover/protected (due carbon-fibre components etc) and they have the technical competence to maintain the acft in the longer-term (minimising HH-AF/DAFH tech assist) to prevent an adverse reputation outcome for AF/HH-AF, and likely recovery of the acft at some stage.

Noting the state-based politics/views/perceptions involved, DG Meier is keen to ensure a considered, collaborative, 'politically balanced' outcome of any Hornets that may be offered to AHOs. His view is that both our organisations need to have an understanding/visibility of EOIs from AHOs. Further, DG Meier would like to be involved in any selection/decision process for distribution of Hornets. To that end, **I would like to compare notes with you on the AHOs we/HH-AF are aware of that have expressed interest in acquiring a 'spare' Classic Hornet.**

HH-AF/DAFH is aware of EOIs from:

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With several significant/high-profile heritage estate tasks on the HH-AF books (PCK, WLM, RIC and PEA)....DG is busy/distracted....DG Meier has reiterated that I am the preferred POC for all heritage Hornet matters.

Happy to discuss and/or trade emails....

Thanks....

s47E(d)



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