Privacy Notice

Collection and handling of your personal information for the Vulnerability Disclosure Program

The Department of Defence (Defence) must comply with the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs) contained in the *Privacy Act 1988* (the Privacy Act), which govern the handling of personal (including sensitive) information. This privacy notice is provided in accordance with APP 5 and applies to any personal information you provide in the **Vulnerability Disclosure Program's** Report a Vulnerability Webform.

Personal information will be collected for the purpose of verifying the reported vulnerability and to understand its impact. This information may include your:

- Full name
- Email address

Providing details about the researcher and the nature of the vulnerability helps in this process. We may contact you if we require further information about your discovery and report of security vulnerabilities and weaknesses in the Defence's ICT systems.

Defence will not use or disclose your personal information other than for the purposes specified above, unless required or authorised by law or if you provide your consent.

Any information you provide will be stored securely in accordance with the Defence Privacy Policy. Only Defence officials with a need to know the material for the purposes of consultation or management of Defence's records will be able to access your personal information.

You are not required to identify yourself and can choose to disclose an email address only. If you choose to submit the form anonymously, please use and alias or leave "Full Name" blank on the form.

If you have any concerns about the Vulnerability Disclosure Program, you should contact Defence Cyber Security Compliance at ictsb.csc@defence.gov.au in the first instance.

For further information about how Defence handles personal information, refer to the <u>Defence Privacy Policy (linked)</u> or contact Defence Privacy at defence.privacy@defence.gov.au. The Defence Privacy Policy also contains information about how you can apply for access to or correction of your personal information and the complaints process if you believe Defence has breached your privacy.