

# **Australian Government**

# Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

22 September 2016

Ms Tina Mathewson Defence Export Controls Department of Defence Russell Offices CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Tina



# **SECRET**



Yours sincerely

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Jane Hardy
Assistant Secretary
Arms Control and Counter-Proliferation Branch

# Capel, Sophie Ms



From: Andrews, David MR 2 [mailto:david.andrews2@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Wednesday 13 Sentember 2017 11:37 AM

His22

**Subject:** Update on DEC cases [SEC=SECRET]

As I flagged in my voicemail, I'm just following up about a couple of cases that have been referred to DFAT:

- s47G, s33(a)(iii)
  - o Referred by Annette on 31 Aug, requesting a response by 7 Sep.
  - o Per your request of 1 Sep, Faith sent \$7(2A) to the nominated DFAT addressees on 5 Sep.

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If there's anything you can tell me about how these requests are progressing, it'd be appreciated.

Thanks for all your help,

### **David Andrews**

Risk Assessor

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# Capel, Sophie Ms

7G, s33(a)(iii), s47E(d), s47C
From: Andrews, David MR 2 [mailto:david.andrews2@defence.gov.au]
Sent: Thursday, 12 October 2017 5:48 PM To: \$22
Cc: <sup>52</sup>
Chifley, Damien [Defence] <damien.chifley@defence.gov.au>; Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2</damien.chifley@defence.gov.au>
<michelle.maclachlan2@defence.gov.au>; Fenotti, Mark [Defence] <mark.fenotti@defence.gov.au>; Labudovic,</mark.fenotti@defence.gov.au></michelle.maclachlan2@defence.gov.au>
Andelka [Defence] <andelka.labudovic@defence.gov.au>; Smith, Annette [Defence]</andelka.labudovic@defence.gov.au>
<annette.smith1@defence.gov.au></annette.smith1@defence.gov.au>
Subject: RE: referral s47G [SEC=SECRET] [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]
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Thanks for your response.
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Regards,

### **David Andrews**

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From: s22

Sent: Tuesday, 10 October 2017 5:34 PM

**To:** Smith, Annette MS 1

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2; Fenotti, Mark MR; Chifley, Damien MR; \$22 ); Andrews,

David MR 2

**Subject:** RE: referral s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET] [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47E(d), s47C

From: Smith, Annette MS 1 [mailto:annette.smith1@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Thursday, 31 August 2017 1:14 PM

To: \$22 Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2 < michelle.maclachlan2@defence.gov.au >; Fenotti, Mark [Defence] <mark.fenotti@defence.gov.au>; Chifley, Damien [Defence] <damien.chifley@defence.gov.au> Subject: referral s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET] Good Afternoon Defence Export Controls is assessing an application from \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) would value DFAT's consideration. s33(a)(iii) Noting the above, \$7(2A) DEC would value DFAT's consideration of this export by COB 7 September 2017, s33(a)(iii), s47E(d) s33(a)(iii) Very happy to discuss. Regards **Annette Smith** 

Risk Assessor Defence Export Controls 1800 661066 02 62651135 R1-1-A026

# Capel, Sophie Ms

From: Chifley, Damien MR

Sent: Tuesday, 7 November 2017 3:01 PM

To: Kiploks, Jimmy Mr

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle Mrs 2; Andrews, David Mr 2

Subject: RE: Urgent Export Consideration [SEC=SECRET,

-CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]-

Hi Jimmy,

### s47E(d)

**Thanks** 

For the reply.

Damien

**Damien Chifley** 

A/Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls

Department of Defence

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R1-1-A108 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600 Phone: 02 626 56422 Mobile: \$22

From: Kiploks, Jimmy MR

Sent: Tuesday, 7 November 2017 1:55 PM

To: Chifley, Damien MR

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2; Andrews, David MR 2

Subject: RE: Urgent Export Consideration [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

HI Damien

# s47E(d)

### Thanks Jimmy

From: Chifley, Damien MR

Sent: Thursday, 2 November 2017 3:50 PM

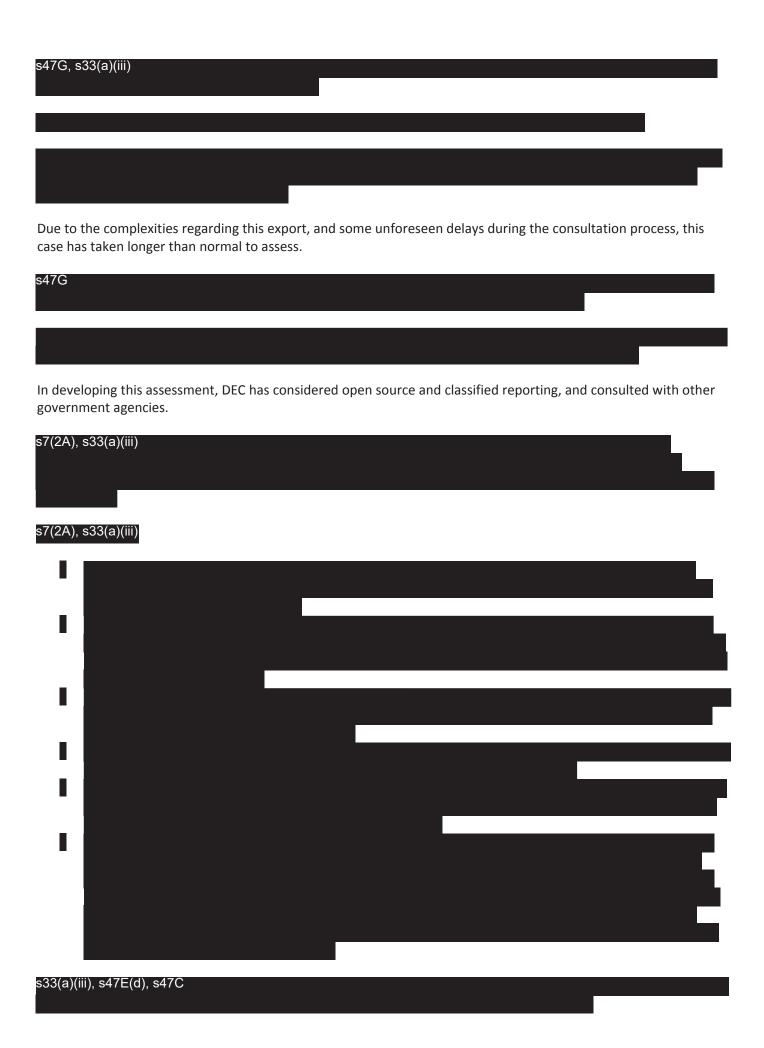
To: Kiploks, Jimmy MR

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2; Andrews, David MR 2

Subject: Urgent Export Consideration [SEC-SECRET, CAVEAT-RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Jimmy,

# s47E(d)



# s47G s33(a)(iii) s33(a)(iii) The export does not raise concerns against the other policy criteria.

Pending noting, DEC intends on approving this temporary export of goods for demonstration purposes.

Happy to discuss.

Damien

Damien Chifley A/Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

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R1-1-A108 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600 Phone: 02 626 56422

Mobile: s22

# Capel, Sophie Ms

From: Kiploks, Jimmy Mr

Sent: Wednesday, 11 April 2018 9:35 AM

To: Mathewson, Tina Ms

Cc: Hosking, Steve Mr; Andrews, David Mr 2; Corby, Jayde Miss

Subject: RE: Urgent export considerations [SEC-SECRET, CAVEAT-RI:AUSTEO]

### s47E(d)

Thanks Jimmy

From: Mathewson, Tina Ms

Sent: Tuesday, 10 April 2018 5:17 PM

To: Kiploks, Jimmy Mr

Cc: Hosking, Steve Mr; Andrews, David Mr 2; Corby, Jayde Miss

**Subject:** Urgent export considerations [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Jimmy

As discussed yesterday, I am seeking your consideration of two urgent export applications.

The HQ Combined Arms Training Centre, on behalf of the UAE Armed Forces Shooting Team, is seeking a
permit to export a range of small arms and personal protective equipment back to the UAE after use at the
upcoming Australian Army Skill-at-Arms Meeting (AASAM), to be held 17 Apr-10 May 18.



The UAE Armed Forces Shooting Team were issued a permit for substantially similar goods in 2017 with relation to that iteration of the AASAM.

# s47E(d)

As the goods are of a less-sensitive nature, and they are already owned by the UAE Armed Forces, DEC has not sought the input of other Defence or whole-of-government stakeholders.

Pending noting, DEC intends to approve this permit that will enable the return of the goods to the UAE.



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	DEC has not sought further
input from Defence or whole-of-government stakeholders.	
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Pending noting, DEC intends to approve this export of s47G	

Happy to discuss further if required.

Cheers

Tina

# **Tina Mathewson**

Assistant Secretary
Defence Export Controls

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# Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

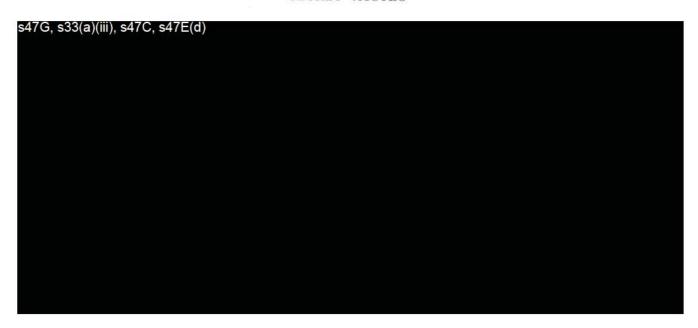
21 May 2018

Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson

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Yours sincerely



Rob McKinnon Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch International Security Division



PDR: MS18-900733

### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

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Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: Secretary

Copies to: CDF, Associate Secretary, FASIP, \$7(2, FASMECC

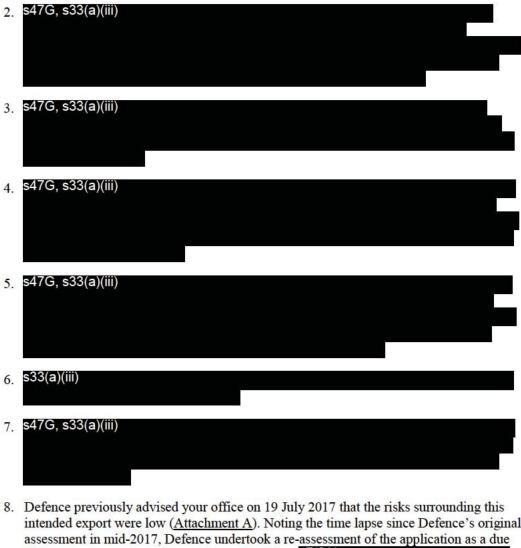
Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 8 June 2018 Reason: \$47G

# Recommendations: 1. That you note that on 19 July 2017, Defence advised your office of the Department's intent to approve a permit for \$47G, Noted / Please discuss That you note that prior to the permit's expiry, \$47G Noted / Please discuss 3. s47G Noted / Please discuss 4. That you note that due to the time lapse since the original Noted / Please discuss assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. 5. s7(2A) Noted / Please discuss 6. s47C, s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss That you note that Defence will seek to mitigate risks \$33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 8. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application. Noted / Please discuss Minister for Defence...... Date

### **Proposed Export:**





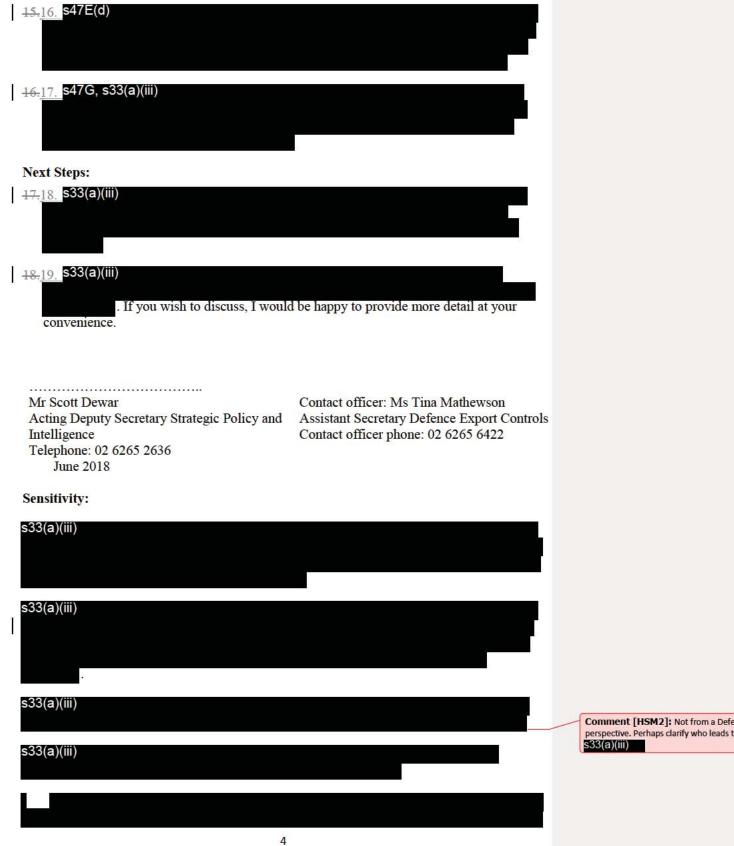
intended export were low (Attachment A). Noting the time lapse since Defence's original diligence measure including seeking advice from \$7(2A)

(Attachment C), the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) (Attachment D) and International Policy Division (Attachment E).

### **Key Considerations**

9. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law or international human rights law, as applicable.







### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

**Summary of Attachments:** 

A – Email s47G

B – MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

C = s7(2A)

D-DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

E – International Policy Division advice provided 6 April 2018

### **Related Briefs:**

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

### Consultation:

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), [7(2A)], International Policy

Division (Stephen MooreLinda McCann, Acting First-Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division).



# SECRET



# Australian Government

# Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

14 July 2016

Ms Tina Mathewson Defence Export Controls Department of Defence Russell Offices CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Tina



s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)

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Yours sincerely

Jane Hardy
Assistant Secretary
Arms Control and Counter-Proliferation Branch

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Sent:

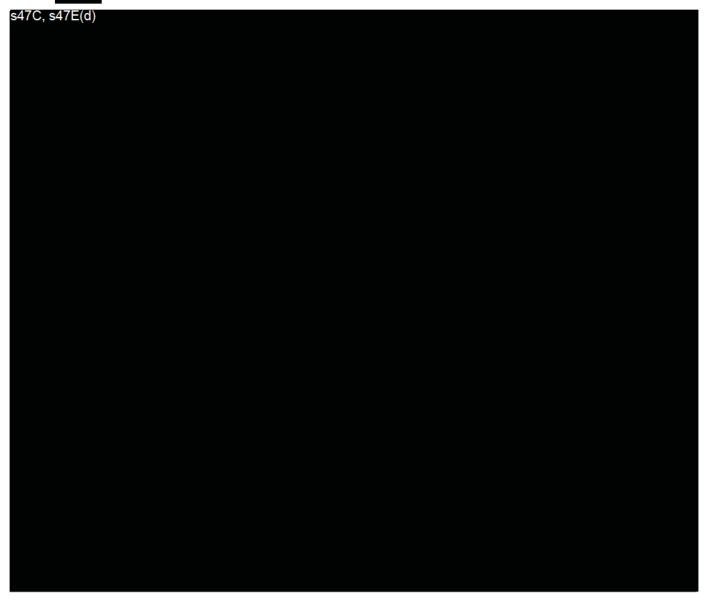
Thursday, 14 July 2016 4:00 PM s22

To: Cc:

Subject:

RE: Export for demonstration purposes [SEC-SECRET]

Dear s22



Best regards,

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# **Australian Government**

# Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

27 October 2016

Ms Tina Mathewson Defence Export Controls Department of Defence Russell Offices CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson



# SECRET

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-	s47G, s33(a)(iii)	
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Yours	sincerely	



Dr Chris Chung A/g Assistant Secretary Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch

# Capel, Sophie Ms

From: Chifley, Damien MR

Sent: Wednesday, 23 August 2017 2:09 PM

To: Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Subject: FW: Urgent export case [SEC=SECRET]

**Damien Chifley** 

Director

Defence Export Assessments and Regimes

Department of Defence

R1-1-A037 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600 Phone: 02 626 51122 Mobile: \$22

From: Kiploks, Jimmy MR

Sent: Wednesday, 23 August 2017 9:36 AM

To: Mathewson, Tina MS

Cc: Chifley, Damien MR; SP&I Group Coord; Higgins, Samantha MS

Subject: RE: Urgent export case [SEC=SECRET]

# s47E(d)

Thanks Jimmy

From: Mathewson, Tina MS

Sent: Tuesday, 22 August 2017 12:55 PM

To: Kiploks, Jimmy MR

Cc: Chifley, Damien MR; SP&I Group Coord; Higgins, Samantha MS

Subject: Urgent export case [SEC=SECRET]

Hi Jimmy

### s47E(d)

s47G

DEC supports the proposed export after assessing it against the five export policy criteria (international obligations, human rights, foreign policy, national security and regional security). The s33(a)(iii)

and no concerns against the other criteria:

- s47G, s33(a)(iii)
- s470

o s47G, s33(a)(iii)

• We have consulted with other areas of Defence and DFAT as part of our assessment of the previous export of these same goods to \$47G :



Please advise whether you have any objections to us proceeding to approve this export.

Happy to discuss.

Tina

### **Tina Mathewson**

Assistant Secretary
Defence Export Controls

02 6265 6422

### Spence, Stuart Mr

From: S22

Sent: Monday, 4 June 2018 3:33 PM

To: Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: s22 Nixon, Lyndal J

Subject: RE: \$47E(d) - DFAT advice re: export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

(SEC=SECRET)

Attachments: MS18-900733.docx

### SECRET



From: Capel, Sophie Ms [mailto:sophie.capel@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Monday, 4 June 2018 3:08 PM

To: \$22 Cc: \$22

s22 Subject: RE: s47E(d)

- DFAT advice re: export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

[SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Good afternoon \$22,

As discussed with Lyndal Nixon, regarding s47G, s33(a)(iii)

DEC is seeking urgent clearance (Band 1 level or above) on the attached Ministerial Advice. Please confirm consultation details as highlighted in the advice.

Noting the urgent nature of this proposed export, greatly appreciate clearance by 1400 tomorrow 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for additional information.

### Kind Regards,

### **Sophie Capel**

Risk Assessor

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From: s22

**Sent:** Friday, 18 May 2018 10:09 AM

To: Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: Mathewson, Tina Ms; \$22 Hosking, Steve Mr; \$22

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Subject: \$47E(d) - DFAT advice re: export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

### **SECRET RI:AUSTEO**

### Dear Sophie



### Spence, Stuart Mr

From: White, Elizabeth Ms 1

Sent: Monday, 29 January 2018 2:18 PM

To: Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: DIP DEC DEAR; Creech, Daniel Mr; Hitchens, Stephanie Ms; Jackson, Sarah Miss 5

Subject: RE: DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC-SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Sophie, my apologies for the delay in responding. Following my discussion with Damien \$47E(d)

s33(a)(iii)

Regards

Liz

From: Capel, Sophie Ms

Sent: Monday, 29 January 2018 1:13 PM

To: White, Elizabeth Ms 1 Cc: DIP DEC DEAR

Subject: RE: DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Liz,

I understand that you had a conversation with Damien regarding this application last week.

Are you able to provide me with IP's input via reply email?

I note that the applicant has advised that this case has become very urgent.

Regards,

### Sophie Capel

Risk Assessor

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From: Creech, Daniel Mr

Sent: Tuesday, 23 January 2018 10:08 AM

To: Capel, Sophie Ms Cc: DIP DEC DEAR

Subject: RE: DEC request for IP Div input - \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) | SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT-RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USAT

Hi Sophie,

Liz White has been working on this one and will call Damien to discuss.

### Best regards,

**Daniel Creech** – Assistant Director Middle East, United Nations, Africa and Peacekeeping Global Interests Branch

International Policy Division Department of Defence Phone: +61 2 6265 6442

Location: R1-5-C076, Russell Offices

Postal Address: PO Box 7902 Canberra BC ACT 2610

Email: daniel.creech@defence.gov.au

From: Capel, Sophie Ms

Sent: Monday, 22 January 2018 5:14 PM

**To:** Creech, Daniel Mr **Cc:** DIP DEC DEAR

Subject: FW: DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Daniel,

I have left you a voicemail today. I'd like to follow up the below request for IP Div Input from 12 January 2018.

Happy to discuss further if required.

Regards,

### **Sophie Capel**

Risk Assessor

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From: Capel, Sophie MS

Sent: Friday, 12 January 2018 12:00 PM

**To:** IPDIV-GI MEOP **Cc:** DIP DEC DEAR

**Subject:** DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USAT

Good morning,





DEC will also be consulting with DFAT.

The applicant has advised that this cases is urgent, so we would be grateful for a response by 19 January 2018. Please let me know if you require more information.

Regards,

### **Sophie Capel**

Risk Assessor

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### Spence, Stuart Mr

From: S22

Sent: Friday, 16 June 2017 5:06 PM

To: Coates, Alex MS; \$22

Cc: Chifley, Damien MR; Mathewson, Tina MS; Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Subject: RE: DFAT advice to DEC assessments [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

[SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] [SEC=SECRET]

### Hi Alex



From: Coates, Alex MS [mailto:alex.coates@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Friday, 16 June 2017 1:25 PM

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Cc: s22 ; Chifley, Damien [Defence]; Mathewson, Tina [Defence]; Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Subject: DFAT advice to DEC assessments [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

# Good afternoon \$22

Defence Export Controls (DEC) recently consulted with DFAT on a number of proposed exports. These exports are now part of a ministerial submission. This submission follows an earlier advice which provides information on the assessment of nine applications, for which you were consulted.

Each application has been summarised into a one-page summary, with your advice included. Please review each of the relevant cases for DFAT and confirm that DEC has suitably represented DFAT's position on this export. DEC requests that this advice is cleared at the Branch Head level.

Grateful if DFAT can respond by COB Monday 19 June. I acknowledge this is a very tight timeline, however we need to provide the minsub up to the Minister as soon as possible – the delays in approving these applications impacts the businesses of the exporters.

For your reference, please see attached:

- 1. MS17-900758 Attachment A Current sensitive and complex export applications please consult this document to cross-reference. Advice provided by DFAT has been highlighted in green.
- Draft ministerial submission (MS17-900758) to provide context.
- 3. Previous advice from DFAT.

Please contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns about this. My contact number is 02 6265 5727 (unclassified).

#### Many thanks,

#### Alex

#### **Alexandra Coates**

Risk Assessor | Defence Export Assessments & Regimes Defence Export Controls Defence Industry Policy Division | Department of Defence R1-01-A129 | Russell Offices | PO Box 7901 | Canberra BC | ACT 2610 P: +61 2 6265 5727

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#### Capel, Sophie Ms

From: Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2

Sent: Tuesday, 7 November 2017 5:45 PM

To: Fenotti, Mark MR; Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Subject: FW: Urgent Export Consideration [SEC=SECRET,

-CAVEAT-RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Mark, Bec,

#### s47G, s47E(d)

#### Regards,

Michelle Maclachlan Assistant Director Defence Export Assessments and Regimes Defence Export Controls

Department of Defence

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Sent: Tuesday, 7 November 2017 1:55 PM

To: Chifley, Damien MR

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2; Andrews, David MR 2

Subject: RE: Urgent Export Consideration [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

#### HI Damien

# s47E(d)

#### Thanks Jimmy

From: Chifley, Damien MR

Sent: Thursday, 2 November 2017 3:50 PM

To: Kiploks, Jimmy MR

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle MRS 2; Andrews, David MR 2

Subject: Urgent Export Consideration [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Jimmy,

#### s47E(d)

#### s47G

# s47G s47G, s33(a)(iii) Due to the complexities regarding this export, and some unforeseen delays during the consultation process, this case has taken longer than normal to assess. s47G In developing this assessment, DEC has considered open source and classified reporting, and consulted with other government agencies. s33(a)(iii) As such, DEC referred this application to \$7(2A) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). s7(2A)

s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)
s33(a)(iii)

### s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47E(d)

s33(a)(iii)

. The export does not raise concerns against the other policy criteria.

Pending noting, DEC intends on approving this s47G

Happy to discuss.

Damien

**Damien Chifley** A/Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

R1-1-A108 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600 Phone: 02 626 56422 Mobile: \$22

#### Capel, Sophie Ms

Cooper, Wayne MR 5 From: Wednesday, 15 February 2017 7:59 AM Sent: Perkins, Rebecca MS 2 To: FW: s47E(d), s33(a)(iii) Subject: [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO] [SEC-SECRET] 2016 -DEC Referral s47G, s33(a)(iii) **Attachments:** From: \$22 Sent: Thursday, 22 September 2016 5:10 PM To: Chifley, Damien MR Cc: Mathewson, Tina MS; \$22 ); Cooper, Wayne MR 5; s22 Bator, Elliott MR; s22 Subject: RE: s47E(d), s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO] [SEC=SECRET] Hi Damien, s47E(d), s22 From: Chifley, Damien MR [mailto:damien.chifley@defence.gov.au] Sent: Friday, 2 September 2016 4:46 PM To: \$22 Cc: Mathewson, Tina [Defence]; \$22 ; Cooper, Wayne [Defence]; s22 ; Bator, Elliott [Defence] Subject: s47E(d), s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO] Good afternoon \$22 DEC has received an application from s47G, s33(a)(iii) s7(2A) s7(2A) s33(a)(iii)

#### s33(a)(iii)

DEC requests DFAT consideration of the proposed export against Foreign Policy considerations. s7(2A)

DEC requests DFAT advice by Friday 16 September 2016 so that DEC can meet mandated timeframes for the completion of this application.

#### s33(a)(iii)

DEC is supportive of this proposed export pending DFAT advice.

Happy to Discuss.

Damien

Damien Chifley
Director
Military Assessments and Communication
Department of Defence

R1-1-A037 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600

Phone: 02 626 51122

 From:
 Hosking, Steve Mr

 To:
 Malekin, Sarah Ms

Subject: FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Date: Friday, 11 May 2018 4:36:11 PM Attachments: MS18-900633 - \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

Importance: High

From: Creech, Daniel Mr

Sent: Friday, 11 May 2018 4:17 PM

To: Hosking, Steve Mr

Cc: Wood, Ian Mr 6; Hitchens, Stephanie Ms

Subject: FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

Hi Steve,

A few typos in track changes, one semantic amendment and a query; otherwise cleared.

#### Best regards,

Daniel Creech – Assistant Director Middle East, United Nations, Africa & Peacekeeping Global Interests Branch

International Policy Division Department of Defence Phone: +61 2 6265 6442

Location: R1-5-C076, Russell Offices

Postal Address: PO Box 7902 Canberra BC ACT 2610

Email: daniel.creech@defence.gov.au

From: Hosking, Steve Mr

Sent: Friday, 11 May 2018 4:06 PM

To: Creech, Daniel Mr

Subject: FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

From: Hosking, Steve Mr

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 2:10 PM

To: Creech, Daniel (DFAT); Wood, Ian Mr 6

**Subject:** FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

Dan, lan,

As discussed, urgent IP clearance sought. Apologies for short timeframe, but this one has everyone's attention at the moment.

Cheers

Steve

From: Malekin, Sarah Ms

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 12:27 PM

**To:** Hosking, Steve Mr

**Subject:** FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

#### Sarah Malekin

Risk Assessor Defence Export Assessments & Regimes Defence Export Controls

**Defence Industry Policy Division** Department of Defence

R1-01-A101 Russell Offices PO Box 7901 Canberra BC ACT 2601

Phone: 6265 1080

From: Malekin, Sarah Ms

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 12:10 PM **To:** Mckinnon, Robert Mr (DFAT)

**Subject:** Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC-SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

Good afternoon,

Further to your discussion with Tina, please find attached the draft Minsub for the export of your review and clearance.

The previously approved Minsub will be forwarded in a separate email.

Please note, your urgent consideration is requested.

Kindest regards

Sarah

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Phone: 6265 1080

From: s22

 To:
 Malekin, Sarah Ms

 Cc:
 Huey, Sharon (Customs)

Subject: FW: Draft Minsub for review and clearance by Sharon Huey [SEC\_SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Date: Friday, 11 May 2018 2:48:18 PM

Attachments: <u>MS18-900633 - </u>s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Importance: High

Good Afternoon Sarah,

Thank you for giving us an opportunity to respond.



Should further correspondence occur in relation to this matter, please contact me on this email address and provide a courtesy email to my low side account e@abf.gov.au), however please note it is unlikely we can further progress this until Monday 14 May 2018.

Regards,

s22

Superintendent

Enforcement Command National Operational Coordination|
Specialist Investigations & Coordination Branch | Enforcement Command|

Border Operations Group | Australian Border Force|

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From: Malekin, Sarah Ms [mailto:sarah.malekin@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Friday, 11 May 2018 1:47 PM

**To:** s22

Subject: Draft Minsub for review and clearance by Sharon Huey [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]
Importance: High

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As per the discussion between \$22 and Tina Mathewson, please find attached the MINSUB for review and clearance by Sharon Huey.

Please note, urgent consideration and response has been requested, with the response being sent back directly back to me.

Appreciate your assistance and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Sarah

#### Sarah Malekin

Risk Assessor Defence Export Assessments & Regimes Defence Export Controls

**Defence Industry Policy Division** Department of Defence

R1-01-A101 Russell Offices PO Box 7901 Canberra BC ACT 2601

Phone: 6265 1080

From: Fenotti, Mark MR
To: Lugton, Samantha MISS

**Subject:** FW: Export Application - s47G [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

**Date:** Thursday, 20 July 2017 2:32:13 PM

Can you please file on DSN objective.

From: Varjavandi, Faz MR

Sent: Wednesday, 19 July 2017 2:29 PM

**To:** Chifley, Damien MR

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Russell-Farnham, Sarah MS; Holmback-Piggott, Louanne MS; Hamilton, Tom

MR

**Subject:** RE: Export Application - s47G [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Damien,

apologies for the delay in responding.

#### s47E(d)

#### Regards, Faz

From: Chifley, Damien MR

Sent: Friday, 14 July 2017 11:39 AM

**To:** Varjavandi, Faz MR

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Russell-Farnham, Sarah MS; Holmback-Piggott, Louanne MS; Hamilton, Tom

MR

**Subject:** Export Application - s47G [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Faz,

This is the third of the applications I mentioned.

#### s47G, s33(a)(iii)

This request has been assessed as low risk and DEC supports its approval.



## s47G

A risk assessment has concluded that:





• This export is low risk in relation to the five policy criteria of international obligations, human rights, foreign policy, national security and regional security.



Happy to discuss.

Damien

Damien Chifley A/Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

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R1-1-A108 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600 Phone: 02 626 56422 Mobile: \$22 From: Williams, Kylie MS 5

To: Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Malekin, Sarah MS; Coates, Alex MS; Moore, Stephen MR 10; Creech, Daniel MR; Waters,

Alyssa MS

Subject: FW: IP DIV Consultation on DEC minsub - MS17-900758 [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Date: Friday, 21 July 2017 12:22:21 PM

Hi Rebecca

Noting that previous IPDiv comment has been considered and the additions are consistent with

s47E(d) s33(a)(iii)

Content has been cleared by ASGI.

Regards Kylie

#### Kylie Williams - A/g Director Middle East & Operational Policy

Global Interests Branch

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Phone: +61 2 6265 2927
Location: R1-5, Russell Offices

Postal Address: PO Box 7902 Canberra BC 2610

Email: kylie.williams5@defence.gov.au

From: White, Elizabeth MS 1

Sent: Thursday, 20 July 2017 9:26 AM

To: Williams, Kylie MS 5; Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Subject: FW: IP DIV Consultation on DEC minsub - MS17-900758 SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Rebecca, thanks for the email. I'm currently working on a separate project for IP, but Kylie Williams will be able to assist you.

Thanks

Liz

From: Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Sent: Thursday, 20 July 2017 8:27 AM

To: White, Elizabeth MS 1

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Malekin, Sarah MS; Coates, Alex MS

Subject: IP DIV Consultation on DEC minsub - MS17-900758 [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Liz,

As you may already be aware, DEC is preparing a ministerial submission that covers a number of complex/sensitive applications. DEC recently requested that IP DIV clear relevant sections of this minsub that contained information provided by IP DIV for a number of applications.

Since IP DIV cleared the minsub it has been reviewed by FASSP and he has requested we consult separately with IP DIV on \$33(a)(iii) , to confirm that these exports are \$47E(d)

material. The relevant material is highlighted in track changes in the attached document.

DEC views these two applications as low risk, and routine.

The two applications are (and attached):



Grateful if IP DIV can please respond by COB today, Thursday 20 July. I acknowledge this is a very tight timeline, however we need to provide the minsub up to the Minister as soon as possible, and FASSP has requested the revised submission back on Friday this week. DEC requests that this information is cleared at the Branch Head level.

Please feel free contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns about this. My contact number is 02 6265 6464 (unclassified).

Many thanks,

Rebecca

#### **Rebecca Perkins**

Risk Assessor – Defence Export Assessments and Regimes
Defence Export Controls
Strategic Policy Division | Department of Defence
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 From:
 Wood, Ian Mr 6

 To:
 Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: McCann, Linda Ms; Creech, Daniel Mr; Hitchens, Stephanie Ms; Martin, David Mr 38; Streeter-Jones,

Ashleigh Ms

Subject: FW: MS18-900891 | Proposed Export of S47G, s33(a)(iii)

Clearance request [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

 Date:
 Thursday, 5 July 2018 12:13:16 PM

 Attachments:
 IW- MS18-900891 - IP edits.docx

#### Sophie

Thank you very much for consulting us.

With thanks also to colleagues, please find attached IPDIV comments, discussed with Linda McCann.

Best wishes

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Ian Wood

Director, Middle East, UN, Africa, Peacekeeping

T: 02 6265 2927

M: s22

From: Capel, Sophie Ms

Sent: Wednesday, 4 July 2018 5:31 PM

To: Wood, Ian Mr 6

Cc: Creech, Daniel Mr; Hitchens, Stephanie Ms; Maclachlan, Michelle Mrs 2

Subject: MS18-900891 | Proposed Export of S47G, s33(a)(iii) | Clearance request [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Good afternoon,

Defence Export Controls (DEC) consulted with IP DIV on the in-principle export of (see attached).

The export is now the subject of a ministerial submission (see attached MS18-900891). Please review the attached submission and confirm that DEC has suitably represented IP DIV's position on this in-principle export.

DEC is seeking clearance at the 1 star equivalent or above.

We would greatly appreciate clearance NLT 1200 Thursday 5 July. I acknowledge this is a tight timeline; however, we need to provide the submission up to the Minister urgently in order to notify the exporter as soon as possible of the outcome of our assessment.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further.

Kind regards,

#### **Sophie Capel**

Risk Assessor

Defence Export Assessments and Regimes | Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

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For general enquires and assistance please contact DEC on 1800 66 10 66, email <a href="mailto:exportcontrols@defence.gov.au">exportcontrols@defence.gov.au</a> or find us on the web at <a href="mailto:exportcontrols">exportcontrols</a> | Defence Export Controls – Enabling Responsible Exports

From: <u>Mathewson, Tina Ms</u>
To: <u>Creech, Daniel Mr</u>

Cc: Moore, Stephen Mr 10; Malekin, Sarah Ms; Hosking, Steve Mr

Subject: FW: Previous approved MINSUB for s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC-SECRET]

**Date:** Friday, 11 May 2018 5:57:31 PM

Attachments: DFAT comment - Draft Defence MinSub on s47G, s33(a)(iii)

#### Hi Daniel

Here is DFAT's advice supporting the approach – please note they have advised on access to the



#### Cheers

Tina

#### **Tina Mathewson**

Assistant Secretary
Defence Export Controls

02 6265 6422

From: S22

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 5:20 PM

To: Mathewson, Tina Ms; Malekin, Sarah Ms

Cc: Kearnan, Sheridan Dr; \$22

**Subject:** RE: Previous approved MINSUB for export of s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET]

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Hello Tina and Sara

Thanks for the opportunity to review and comment on the draft submission.

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#### Best regards



From: Malekin, Sarah Ms [mailto:sarah.malekin@defence.gov.au]

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 12:16 PM

To \$476

Subject: Previous approved MINSUB for export of s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC-SECRET,

-CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]-

Good afternoon,

As promised, please find attached the previously approved Minsub (MS17-900592) for the s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Regards

Sarah

#### Sarah Malekin

Risk Assessor Defence Export Assessments & Regimes Defence Export Controls

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Phone: 6265 1080

#### Spence, Stuart Mr

From: Williams, Kylie MS 5

**Sent:** Friday, 21 July 2017 12:22 PM

To: Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Malekin, Sarah MS; Coates, Alex MS; Moore, Stephen MR 10; Creech,

Daniel MR; Waters, Alyssa MS

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To: Williams, Kylie MS 5; Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

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Liz

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Since IP DIV cleared the minsub it has been reviewed by FASSP and he has requested we consult separately with IP DIV on two specific applications \$33(a)(iii), to confirm that \$47C, \$47E(d)

s47C, and agree to our interpretation of relevant safety material. The relevant material is highlighted in track changes in the attached document.

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The two applications are (and attached):



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Rebecca

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PDR: MS18-900891

#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: Secretary

CDF

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, FASMECC, S(2A), FASIP, FASDIP

#### Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

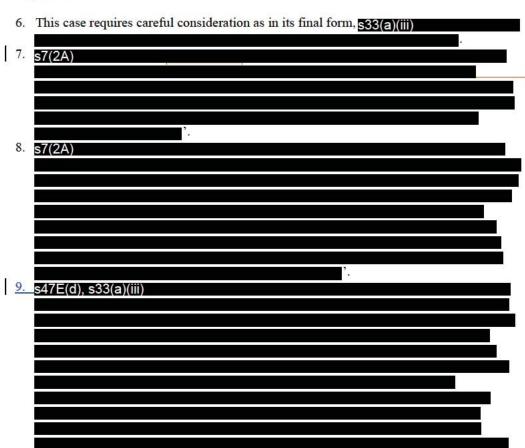
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Comment [HSM2]: Note this assessment is from May 2017. If still extant, suggest making it explicit that this assessment remains unchanged.

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	As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty  (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of IHL or international human rights law, as applicable.  1.12. \$33(a)(iii)		
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Mr Scott Dewar	Contact officer:	
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s33(a)(iii)
Financial Impacts:
There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.
Summary of Attachments:
A - s7(2A) B - s7(2A)
C – DFAT advice dated 21 May 2018
Background:
Nil.
Related Briefs:
MS18-900659 – Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
Consultation:
Yes. This advice has been \$47E(d)
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), International Policy Division (Linda McCann, Acting Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division), Army (XXX)



#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

PDR: MS17- \*\*\*

Ref: REF from FASDIP

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: DepSec SP&I and the Secretary

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, DEPSECSP&I, FASIP, S7(2A) ASDEC

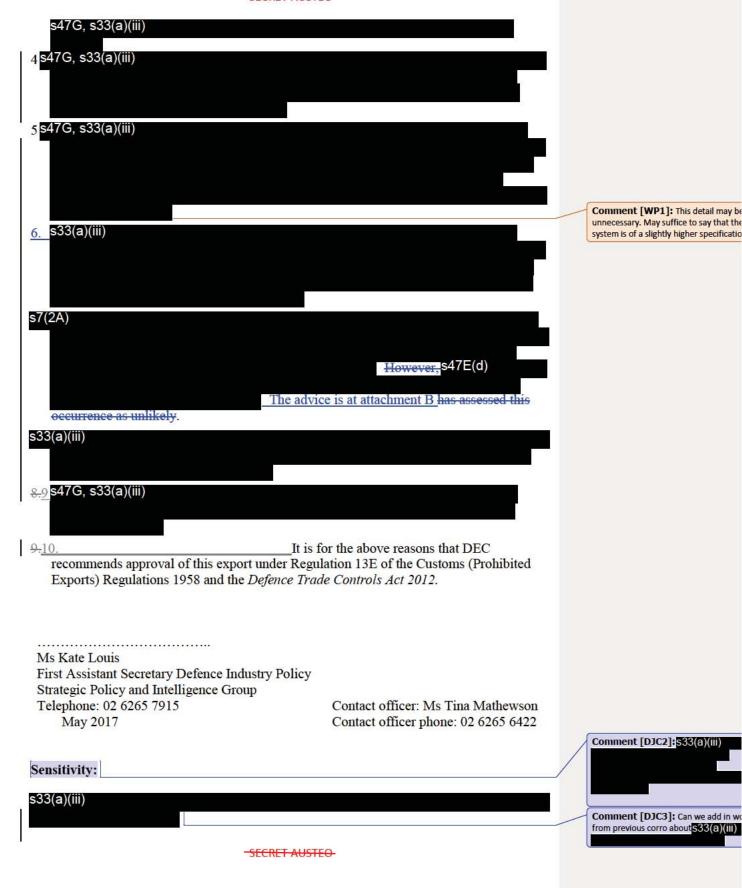
s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: \*\* May 2017 Reason: Response to Applicant

# Recommendation: 1. That you agree to approve, in-principle, approve under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 (subject to \$333(a)(iii) 2. That you agree to approve, in-principle, the supply of technology related to \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) 2. 3. Note that, subject to your approval, Defence will finalise the assessment and approval of the permits for \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) Minister for Defence Date / /

**Key Points:** 

	1.	Defence seeks your <u>in-principle</u> agreement to approve two applications <u>for</u> , s33(a)(iii)	the export	of
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#### Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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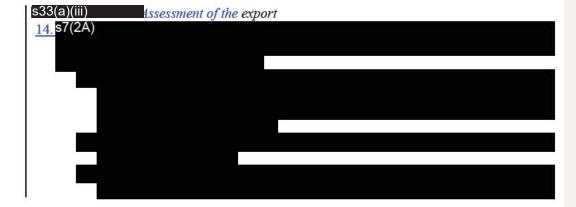
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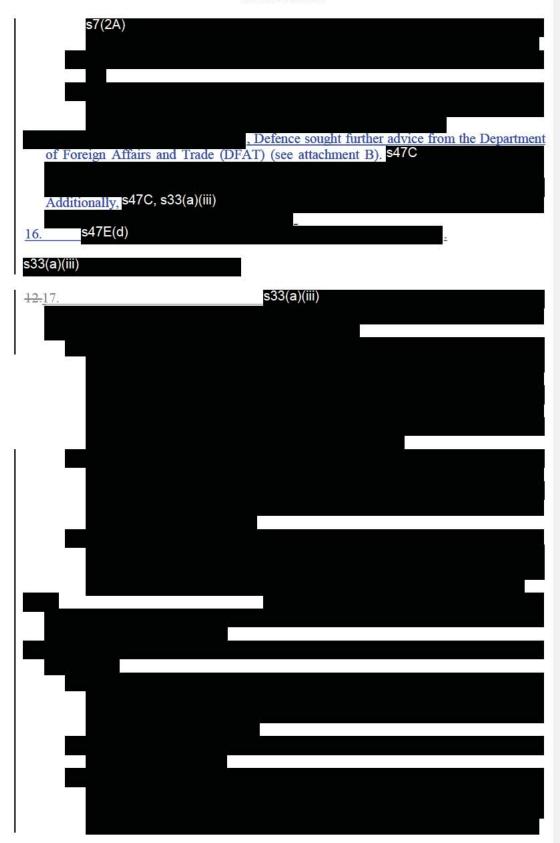
action addressees only).

B – Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, dated 27 October 2016.

#### Background:

- 11. Defence Export Controls Branch (DEC) administers export controls on defence and dualuse goods and technologies on your behalf. The administrative authority to approve exports has been delegated to Defence officials, but the decision to deny export permission remains solely with you. When Defence concludes that a proposed export should be refused, it provides you with a recommendation, including relevant information from inter-departmental consultation. In the case of sensitive exports Defence that are likely to be approved Defence may provide a recommendation to you for consideration.
- Exports) Regulations 1958 prohibits the export of goods listed in the Defence and Strategic Goods List (DSGL) without a licence or permit, unless an exception applies. The Defence Trade Control Act 2012 also prohibits the supply of technology without a licence or permit. Defence's policy is that licences or permits will not be issued if the goods would prejudice the security, defence or international relations of Australia. Only the Minister for Defence can refuse an application for a permit
- 11.13. The physical item in question is (thea RWS)remote weapon system. This \$47G





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do we need to repeat here?



#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

PDR: MS17- \*\*\*

Ref: REF from FASDIP

Department of Defence

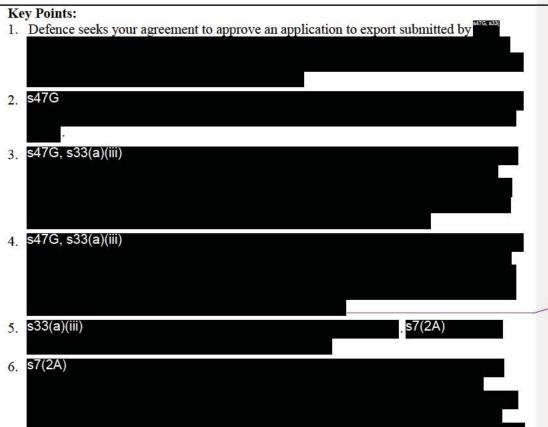
Minister for Defence – For action

Minister for Defence Industry – For information
Copies to: Secretary, CDF, DEPSECSP&I, FASIP, \$7(2A), ASDEC

Approval of Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: \*\* May 2017 Reason: Response to Applicant

# Recommendation: 1. That you agree to approve the export of \$47G , under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958. Minister for Defence ... Date / /



**Comment [WP1]:** This detail may be unnecessary. May suffice to say that the system is of a slightly higher specification

7. There are many companies that produce \$47G

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8. It is for the above reasons that DEC recommends approval of this export under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958.

Ms Kate Louis First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group Telephone: 02 6265 7915 May 2017

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)

#### Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

Summary of Attachments:

dated 5 May 2017.

B – Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, dated 27 October 2016.

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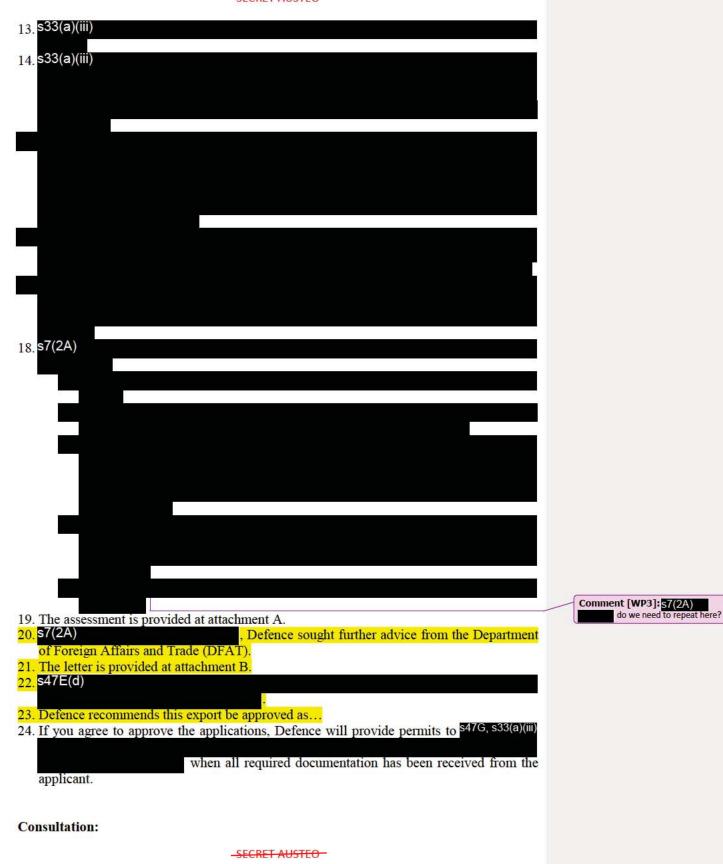
- 9. DEC is part of the Defence Industry Policy Division and administers export controls on defence and dual-use goods and technologies on your behalf. Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 prohibits the export of goods listed in the Defence and Strategic Goods List (DSGL) without a licence or permit, unless an exception applies. The administrative authority to approve exports has been delegated to Defence officials, but the decision to deny export permission remains solely with you.
- 10. Defence's policy is that licences or permits will not be issued if the goods would prejudice the security, defence or international relations of Australia. When Defence concludes that a proposed export should be refused, it provides you with a recommendation, including relevant information from inter-departmental consultation.

11.s33(a)(iii) Defence is seeking your approval of these applications to export, subject to the applicant providing all relevant documentation.

12. s47G

s33(a)(iii)

Comment [LSA2]: I've changed this around a bit in the hope that if lows a b



s7(2A) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade were consulted in the development of this advice.



# FOI 417/17/18 Item 1 Serial 68 SECRET AUSTEO

PDR: MS17-900563

Ref: FASDIP/OUT/2017/O1043532

#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: DEPSEC SP&I

Critical Date: 22 June 2017

Copies to: A/Secretary, CDF, CDS, s7(2A), s7(2A), FASDIP, ASDEC, FASIP

#### Sensitive and complex defence export applications

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Reason: These export applications are currently held by

#### **Key Points:**

Ι.	On 3 May 2017, you met with the First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy
	(Ms Kate Louis) and the Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls (Ms Tina
	Mathewson) to discuss export controls s33(a)(iii)
	In this discussion, s47E(d)
2.	Separate advice is being prepared for your consideration in relation to \$47E(d)

- 3. This submission provides information on the assessment of seven applications for the export of military or dual-use goods or technology to a range of countries \$33(a)(iii)
- 4. Each of the applications has been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with a range of areas across government. Individual assessments are included in Attachment A.

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Once you have considered this advice, Defence will proceed to finalise the assessments and approve the permits for all cases. If you wish to discuss any of the cases, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

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Ms Kate Louis Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson

First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group

Telephone: 02 6265 7915

20 June 2017

Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)

These cases are either nearing, or have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

#### **Summary of Attachments:**

A – Current sensitive and complex export applications

#### Background:

- Defence (through Defence Export Controls Branch [DEC]) administers controls on the
  export of military, other lethal and dual-use goods, services and technologies in support
  of Australia's arms control and counter-proliferation efforts.
- 7. The controlled items are consolidated in a legislative instrument, the Defence and Strategic Goods List (DSGL). The DSGL is primarily derived from the four main international export control regimes (the Wassenaar Arrangement, the Nuclear Suppliers Group, the Missile Technology Control Regime and the Australia Group).
- 8. Defence administers defence export controls under four pieces of legislation:
  - Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 authorises the Minister for Defence, or a delegate, to permit the physical export of goods listed in the DSGL;
  - The Defence Trade Control Act 2012 requires permits for the intangible supply and publication of technology relating to defence and strategic goods, and brokering the supply of DSGL goods and technology;
  - c. The Weapons of Mass Destruction (Prevention of Proliferation) Act 1995 provides the power to prohibit the export of goods, technologies or services that, while not listed in the DSGL, could assist a chemical, biological, or nuclear

- program and means of delivery (a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Program). This is referred to as 'catch-all' legislation as it addresses specific cases where the items would not normally be controlled for export, but where the Minister for Defence has reason to believe or suspect that the items are destined for a WMD program and therefore wishes to prevent to the export; and
- d. Section 112BA of the Customs Act 1901 (military end-use provision), provides another 'catch-all' power to prohibit the export of goods that, while not listed in the DSGL and therefore not routinely controlled for export, could contribute to a particular military end use that would prejudice Australia's security, defence or international relations.
- 9. The administrative authority to approve exports has been delegated to Defence officials, but the decision to deny exports remains solely with you.

#### Assessment Process

- 10. Defence assesses all applications against five criteria, including consideration of Australia's obligations under the ATT. The assessment includes the consideration of the goods/technology, the end-user, the end-use, the destination country and other risks such as the possible diversion of the export. The five criteria are:
  - a. International obligations whether the export is destined for countries which are subject to United Nations Security Council or Australian Autonomous Sanctions; or is destined for countries where the export might be used in a manner contrary to Australia's international obligations or commitments;
  - Human Rights whether the export poses a clearly identifiable risk that the goods would be used to commit or facilitate serious human rights abuses;
  - c. National Security whether the export might compromise Australia's wider security interests, is destined for countries with policies or interests which are inimical to the strategic interests of Australia or its friends or allies, might adversely affect Australia's military capability or compromise operations capability;
  - Regional Security whether the export might contribute to the instability in the region or aggravate the threat to international and regional peace and security; and
  - e. Foreign Policy whether the export is destined for countries developing (or suspected of developing) weapons of mass destruction or the means for their delivery, or supporting terrorism.

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	including s7(2A)
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 Advice on Defence export controls more broadly was provided previously to both your office and the Office of the Minister for Defence Industry on 25 October 2016 (MA16-002622 refers).

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – s47E(d)

#### Consultation:

The attached case notes at Attachment A have been consulted and agreed by \$7(2A)

and the

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary, Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch).

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#### SECRET AUSTEO

PDR: MS17-900563

Ref: FASDIP/OUT/2017/O1043532

#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Critical Date: 6 July 2017

Minister for Defence - For action Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: DEPSEC SP&I 522 29/6

Copies to: A/Secretary, CDF, CDS, s7(2A), s7(2A), ASDEC, FASIP

# Sensitive and complex defence export applications

	Defence pending your noting of	this advice
Recommendations:		
1. Note the export applications	detailed in Attachment A.	Noted / Please discuss
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**Reason:** These export applications are currently held by

#### **Key Points:**

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5. Once you have considered this advice, Defence will proceed to finalise the assessments and approve the permits for all cases. If you wish to discuss any of the cases, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

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Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group Telephone: 02 6265 6422 28 June 2017

Sensitivity: s33(a)(iii)

These cases are either nearing, or have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

#### **Summary of Attachments:**

A – Current sensitive and complex export applications

#### Background:

- 6. Defence (through Defence Export Controls Branch [DEC]) administers controls on the export of military, other lethal and dual-use goods, services and technologies in support of Australia's arms control and counter-proliferation efforts.
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- d. Section 112BA of the Customs Act 1901 (military end-use provision), provides another 'catch-all' power to prohibit the export of goods that, while not listed in the DSGL and therefore not routinely controlled for export, could contribute to a particular military end use that would prejudice Australia's security, defence or international relations.
- 9. The administrative authority to approve exports has been delegated to Defence officials, but the decision to deny exports remains solely with you.

#### Assessment Process

- 10. Defence assesses all applications against five criteria, including consideration of Australia's obligations under the ATT. The assessment includes the consideration of the goods/technology, the end-user, the end-use, the destination country and other risks such as the possible diversion of the export. The five criteria are:
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  - c. National Security whether the export might compromise Australia's wider security interests, is destined for countries with policies or interests which are inimical to the strategic interests of Australia or its friends or allies, might adversely affect Australia's military capability or compromise operations capability;
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#### Related Briefs:

MS17-900558 - Defence Export Controls - \$47E(d)

#### Consultation:

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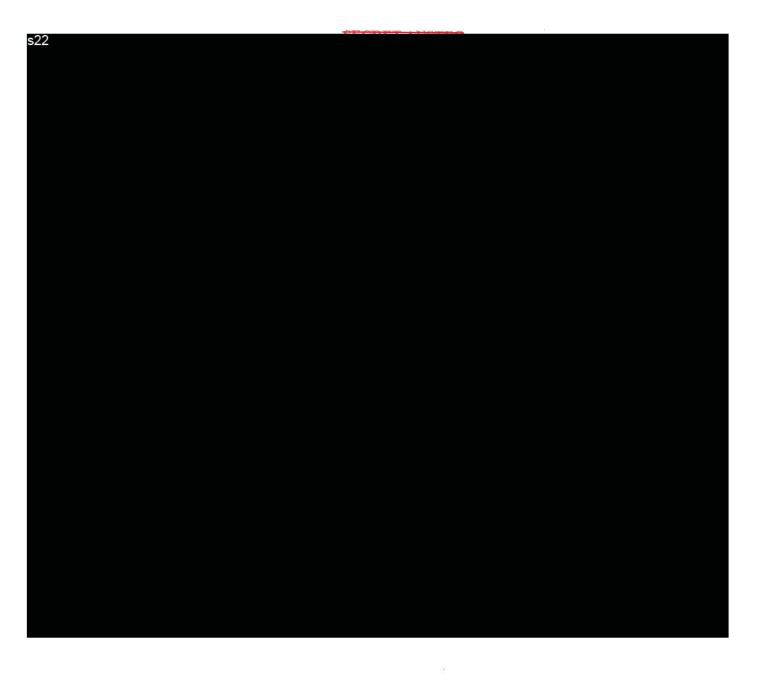
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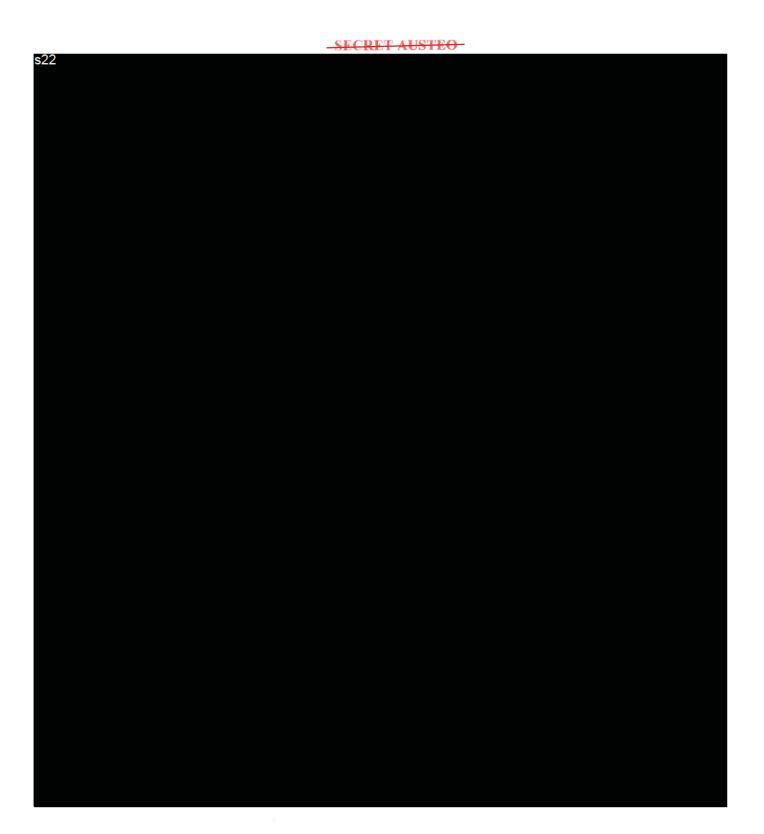
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# Attachment A - Current sensitive and complex export applications

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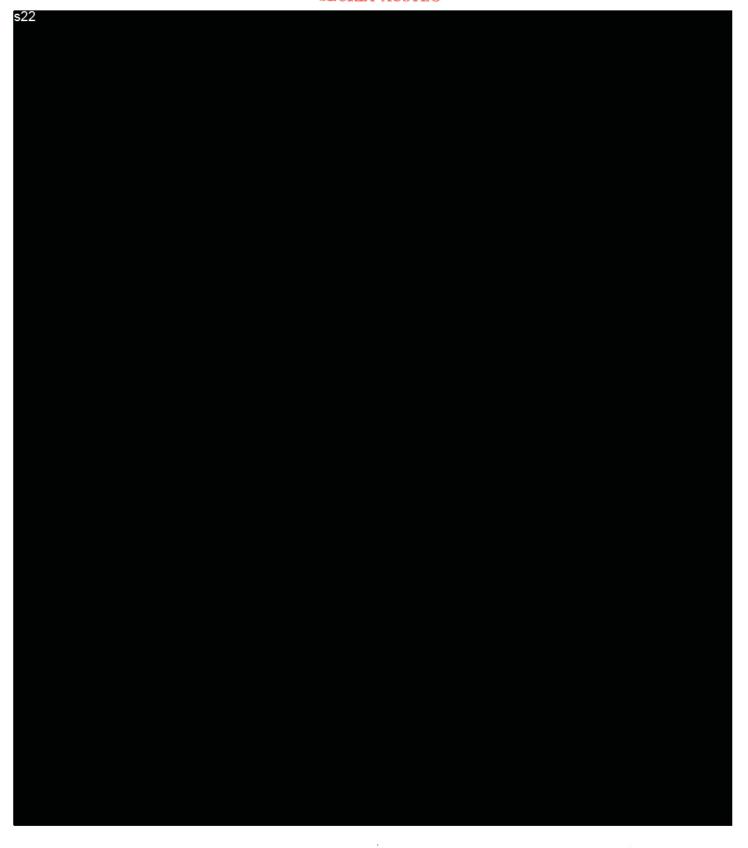
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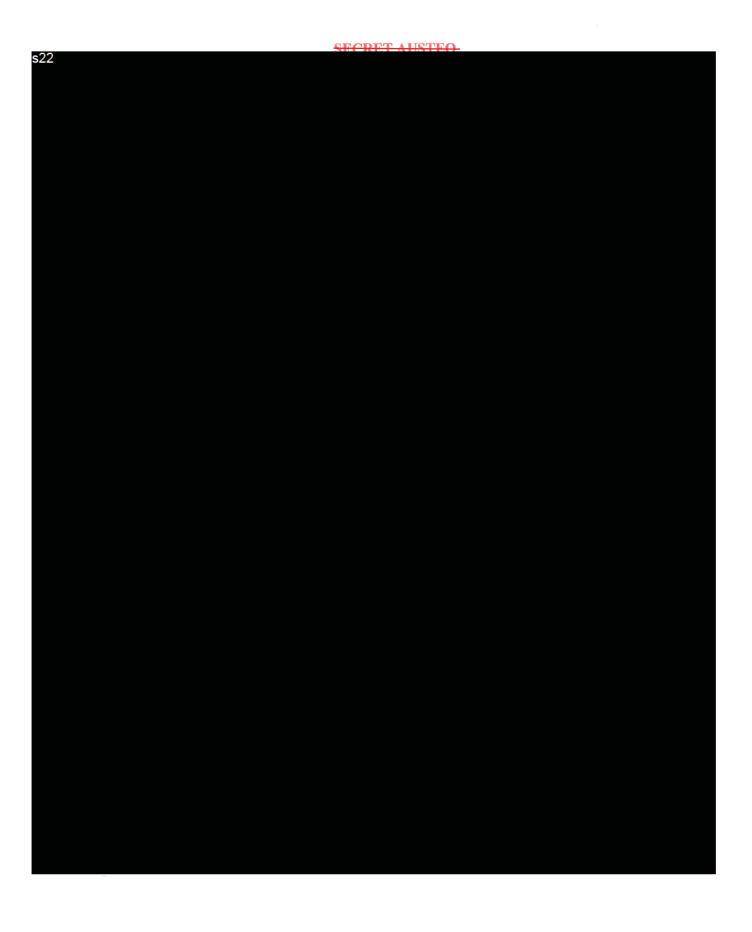




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# Australian Government

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence - For action Minister for Defence Industry - For information Through: DEPSEC, SP&I \$22 29/6 Copies to: A/Secretary, CDF, CDS, 57(2, 57(2, ASDEC, FASIP



Sensitive and complex defence export applications

Critical Date: 6 July 2017 Reason: These export applications are currently held by Defence pending your noting of this advice

# Recommendations: Noted / Please discuss 1. Note the export applications detailed in Attachment A. 2. Note that once you have considered this advice, Defence will Noted ) Please discuss finalise the assessments and approve the permits. Date 31 107/2017 Minister for Defence.

#### **Key Points:**

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Once you have considered this advice, Defence will proceed to finalise the assessments and approve the permits for all cases. If you wish to discuss any of the cases, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

s22

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Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)

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#### Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

#### **Summary of Attachments:**

A - Current sensitive and complex export applications

#### Background:

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 Advice on Defence export controls more broadly was provided previously to both your office and the Office of the Minister for Defence Industry on 25 October 2016 (MA16-002622 refers).

#### Related Briefs:

MS17-900558 - Defence Export Controls - s47E(d)

#### Consultation:

The attached case notes at Attachment A have been consulted and agreed by \$7(2A)

) and the

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary, Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch).

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# <u>Attachment A</u> – Current sensitive and complex export applications

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#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

s33(a)(iii)

Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: DEPSEC SP&I \$22 17/8 Copies to: CDF, FASIP, \$7(2A) HLC, ASDEC



C	ritical Date: N/A	Reason: Routine	
Re	ecommendations:	<del>- 1</del>	
1.	Note Defence has provided four in proposed military exports since Se s47G, s33(a)(iii)		Noted Please discuss
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#### **Key Points:**

1. The purpose of this submission is to make you aware of four in-principle exports previously approved by Defence.

Since September 2016, Defence has provided two in-principle approvals to \$47G
s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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- 4. Although in-principle approvals have no legislative basis, they are provided to assist exporters to plan for possible exports. These approvals are subject to the same assessment process as permits; including, consideration against the five policy criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy, and consultation across Defence and government.
- 5. While a company that has received an in-principle approval may have a reasonable expectation that the future exports are likely to be approved, the approval clearly states that factors affecting the assessment may change and as such, Defence can provide no assurance that a subsequent application for an export permit would be approved. The risk that this could occur is mitigated by the same assessment process as permits.
- 6. These four in-principle approvals were originally consulted with International Policy Division, s7(2A) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Noting recent developments in s33(a)(iii) has been re-confirmed through a second s33(a)(iii) consultation process.
- Defence considers these four in-principle approvals to be consistent with our policy settings and, as they are supported by relevant agencies, there is no current reason to review them. The exports will be reviewed should a formal application to export be received.
- 8.
- 9. I am happy to discuss these in-principle approvals further if you wish.

s22

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Telephone: 02 6265 1883

9 August 2017

Contact officer: Mr Damien Chifley Contact officer phone: 02 626 56422

#### Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)



#### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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#### **Summary of Attachments:**

- A Proposed Export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)
- B Proposed Export of \$22
- C Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
- D Proposed Export of

# Background:

The four in-principle approvals are summarised below with details attached.

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#### In-principle Approvals

- 10. An in-principle approval is preliminary advice which indicates the likely outcome of a future application to export to a specific destination or end user they have been used since 1989. In-principle approvals are an avenue for applicants to seek information in relation to possible exports to enable them to make early, informed decisions prior to investing in the development or marketing of goods or technology.
- 11. In-principle approvals have no legislative basis and the approval does not involve exercising any delegations. Since 2013, Defence has issued 309 in-principle approvals for the export of various military and dual-use goods to various countries around the world. The assessment process for an in-principle is the same as that for an actual permit, and includes consultation with other areas of Defence and other government agencies such as Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade if required.
- 12. An in-principle approval is assessed against the five export control criteria. Applicants are clearly informed that the assessment and factors may change and that a positive in-principle approval is not a guarantee that a future application would be approved.

#### Related Briefs:

13. MS17-900592 – Approval of Export of MS17-900593 – Approval of Export of MS17-900563 – Approval of Sensitive Defence Export Applications

#### Consultation:

- s7(2A)
- Colonel Spencer Norris, A/g Director-General, Modernisation-Army, Army Headquarters
- Rear Admiral Jonathan Mead, Head of Navy Capability, Navy Strategic Command
- Mr John Stanyer, Director Business Operations, Land Systems Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group
- Belinda McNamara, A/g Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division
- Vanessa Robertson, A/g Assistant Secretary, Strategic Issues and Intelligence, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

# FOI 417/17/18 Item 1 Serial 72



#### SECRET AUSTEO

PDR: MS17-900580

FASSP(S)/OUT/2017/44

### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

Critical Date: N/A

Minister for Defence - For action Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: DEPSEC SP&I S22 17/8 Copies to: CDF, FASIP, S7(2A), HLC, ASDEC

In-principle approvals for proposed exports of military goods to \$33(a)(iii)

Reason: Routine

Re	commendations:				
1.	Note Defence has provided four in-principle approvals for proposed military exports since September 2016 to \$33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss			
2.	<b>Note</b> an in-principle approval does not guarantee that an export permit would be approved.	Noted / Please discuss			
3.	Note these four exports would support Australian defence industry with \$47G	Noted / Please discuss			
	Minister for Defence				
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s22

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#### Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)



# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.



#### **Summary of Attachments:**

- A Proposed Export s47G, s33(a)(iii)
- B Proposed Export s22
- C Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
- D Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

### **Background:**

The four in-principle approvals are summarised below with details attached.

• s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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#### **Related Briefs:**

13. MS17-900592 – Approval of Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
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#### Consultation:

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- Rear Admiral Jonathan Mead, Head of Navy Capability, Navy Strategic Command
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- Belinda McNamara, A/g Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division
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Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

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Critical Date: N/A		Reason: Routine	Reason: Routine	
Re	ecommendations:			
1.	Note Defence has provide proposed military exports s22, s33(a)(iii)	d four in-principle approvals for since September 2016 \$33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
2.	Note an in-principle appropermit would be approved	val does not guarantee that an export	Noted Please discuss	
3.	Note these four exports we industry with	ould support Australian defence	Noted Please discuss	
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# **Key Points:**

- 1. The purpose of this submission is to make you aware of four in-principle exports previously approved by Defence.
- 2. Since September 2016, Defence has provided two in-principle approvals to \$47G s47G, s33(a)(iii), s22
- 3. s47G, s33(a)(iii) s33(a)(iii)

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- 4. Although in-principle approvals have no legislative basis, they are provided to assist exporters to plan for possible exports. These approvals are subject to the same assessment process as permits; including, consideration against the five policy criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy, and consultation across Defence and government.
- 5. While a company that has received an in-principle approval may have a reasonable expectation that the future exports are likely to be approved, the approval clearly states that factors affecting the assessment may change and as such, Defence can provide no assurance that a subsequent application for an export permit would be approved. The risk that this could occur is mitigated by the same assessment process as permits.
- 6. These four in-principle approvals were originally consulted with International Policy Division, s7(2A) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Noting recent developments in s33(a)(iii) s22, s33(a)(iii) has been re-confirmed through a second consultation process.
- Defence considers these four in-principle approvals to be consistent with our policy settings and, as they are supported by relevant agencies, there is no current reason to review them. The exports will be reviewed should a formal application to export be received.
- s47G 8.
- 9. I am happy to discuss these in-principle approvals further if you wish.

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7 August 2017

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Sensitivity:

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### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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s47G, s33(a)(iii)
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### **Summary of Attachments:**

A - Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

B - Proposed Export of \$22

C - Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

D – Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

### Background:

The four in-principle approvals are summarised below with details attached.

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Attachment A.
s47G, s22

Attachment B.

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	s33(a)(iii)		

### In-principle Approvals

- 10. An in-principle approval is preliminary advice which indicates the likely outcome of a future application to export to a specific destination or end user they have been used since 1989. In-principle approvals are an avenue for applicants to seek information in relation to possible exports to enable them to make early, informed decisions prior to investing in the development or marketing of goods or technology.
- 11. In-principle approvals have no legislative basis and the approval does not involve exercising any delegations. Since 2013, Defence has issued 309 in-principle approvals for the export of various military and dual-use goods to various countries around the world. The assessment process for an in-principle is the same as that for an actual permit, and includes consultation with other areas of Defence and other government agencies such as Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade if required.
- 12. An in-principle approval is assessed against the five export control criteria. Applicants are clearly informed that the assessment and factors may change and that a positive in-principle approval is not a guarantee that a future application would be approved.

### Related Briefs:

13. MS17-900592 – Approval of Export of MS17-900593 – Approval of Export of MS17-900563 – Approval of Sensitive Defence Export Applications

### Consultation:

- s7(2A)
- Colonel Spencer Norris, A/g Director-General, Modernisation-Army, Army Headquarters
- Rear Admiral Jonathan Mead, Head of Navy Capability, Navy Strategic Command
- Mr John Stanyer, Director Business Operations, Land Systems Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group
- Belinda McNamara, A/g Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division
- Vanessa Robertson, A/g Assistant Secretary, Strategic Issues and Intelligence, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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### **Attachment D**

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Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: DEPSECSP&I and Secretary

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, CDS, DEPSECSP&I, FASIP, 87(2A)

Approval of Export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 30 June 2017

Reason: Response to Applicant

Comment [LSA1]: To be updated as appropriate

### Recommendation/s:

That you agree in-principle to the export of \$47G, \$33(a) s47G, s33(a)(iii) under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 (subject to the provision of \$33(a)(iii)

2. That you agree in-principle to the supply of technology related to s47G, s33(a)(iii) under the Defence

Trade Controls Act 2012 (subject to the provision of \$33(a)

[s33(a)(iii)

3. Note that, subject to your agreement, Defence will finalise the assessment and approval of the permits for the \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) [s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Agreed / Not agreed

Agreed / Not agreed

Noted / Please discuss

**Key Points:** 

1. Defence seeks your in-principle agreement to approve two applications for the export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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2. s47G, s33(a)(iii)

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

4. s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Comment [LSA2]: To be confirmed

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( (	S47G, S33(a)(iii)	assembled?
1	5. s33(a)(iii)	
	6. s7(2A)	L
		s47C
	7. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), including the Foreign Minister's Office, have been consulted and \$47C \$47E(d)	
	8. s33(a)(iii)	Comment [LSA3]: Drafted on current advice. Will be updated advice has been
\	8. s33(a)(III)	received on DFAT
	9. Defence recommends the approval of this export under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 and the <i>Defence Trade Controls Act 2012</i> as there is no clearly identifiable risk that the goods would be used to either commit or facilitate serious human rights abuses, the export will not breach our international obligations and it is unlikely that the export will negatively impact regional and national security.	This survery
	10. If you agree in-principle to this export, Defence will provide permits, \$47G provided the required additional documentation, \$33(a)(iii) approvals.	reeds to
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	Ms Kate Louis First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group  Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422	
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### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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**Summary of Attachments:** 

A – s47G B – s7(2A) action addressees only).

provided to

C – Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, dated 27 October 2016.

D -> New advice?
Background:

- 11. DEC administers export controls on the export of military, other lethal and dual-use goods, services and technologies in support of Australia's arms control and counter-proliferation efforts.
- 12. The controlled items are consolidated in a legislative instrument, the Defence and Strategic Goods List (DSGL). The DSGL is primarily derived from the four main international export control regimes (the Wassenaar Arrangement, the Nuclear Suppliers Group, the Missile Technology Control Regime and the Australia Group).
- 13. Defence administers defence export controls under four pieces of legislation:
  - Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 authorises the Minister for Defence, or a delegate, to permit the physical export of goods listed in the DSGL;
  - b. The *Defence Trade Controls Act 2012* requires permits for the intangible supply and publication of technology relating to defence and strategic goods, and brokering the supply of DSGL goods and technology;
  - c. The Weapons of Mass Destruction (Prevention of Proliferation) Act 1995 provides the power to prohibit the export of goods, technologies or services that,

while not listed in the DSGL, could assist a chemical, biological, or nuclear program and means of delivery (a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Program). This is referred to as 'catch-all' legislation as it addresses specific cases where the items would not normally be controlled for export, but where the Minister for Defence has reason to believe or suspect that the items are destined for a WMD program and therefore wishes to prevent to the export; and

- d. Section 112BA of the Customs Act 1901 (military end use provision), provides another 'catch-all' power to prohibit the export of goods that, while not listed in the DSGL and therefore not routinely controlled for export, could contribute to a particular military end use that would prejudice Australia's security, defence or international relations.
- 14. The administrative authority to approve exports has been delegated to Defence officials, but the decision to deny exports remains solely with you.

### <sub>15.</sub>s47G

### Assessment Process

- 16. DEC assesses all applications against five criteria, including consideration of Australia's obligations under the ATT. The assessment includes the consideration of the goods/technology, the end-user, the end-use, the destination country and other risks such as the possible diversion of the export. The five criteria are:
  - a. International obligations whether the export is destined for countries which are subject to United Nations Security Council or Australian Autonomous Sanctions; or is destined for countries where the export might be used in a manner contrary to Australia's international obligations or commitments;
  - b. Human Rights whether the export poses a clearly identifiable risk that the goods would be used to commit or facilitate serious human rights abuses;
  - c. National Security whether the export might compromise Australia's wider security interests, is destined for countries with policies or interests which are inimical to the strategic interests of Australia or its friends or allies, might adversely affect Australia's military capability or compromise operations capability;
  - d. Regional Security whether the export might contribute to the instability in the region or aggravate the threat to international and regional peace and security; and
  - e. Foreign Policy whether the export is destined for countries developing (or suspected of developing) weapons of mass destruction or the means for their delivery, or supporting terrorism.
- 17. The assessment is informed by consultation with a range of areas across government including \$7(2A)

S7(2A) Capability Managers where the export relates to goods/technology used by the Australian Defence Force, international Policy Division in relation to Defence's international relationships and the DFAT in relation to ATT obligations, human rights and international relations.

18. Advice on Defence Export Controls more broadly was previously provided to both your office and the Office of the Minister for Defence Industry on 25 October 2016 (MA16-002622 refers).

Assessment of the export

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21. s47E(d s33(a)(iii)				 Comment [LSA4]: To be updated when advice regarding consultation has been
Recommend	Intion			
	e recommends this export be	approved as:		
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b. ti ii <b>s</b> 3	he goods will be unlikely to nterests. 33(a)(iii)	negatively impact Australia	's national security	
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	gree to the in-principle appro s33(a)(iii)	oval of the applications, Defe	ence will provide permits hen all required	

documentation, s33(a)(iii) applicant.	have been received from the
Related Briefs:	

MS17-900593 – Approval of Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

MS17-900563 – Approval of Export of Defence Export Applications MS17-900580 – Proposed Exports of Military Goods to \$33(a)(iii) and \$22

Consultation:

Yes.

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s7(2A) International Policy Division (FAS International Policy Division,

Scott Dewar?????) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (FAS International Security Division, Richard Sadleir?????), were consulted in the development of this advice.

Comment [LSA5]: To be updated a consultation.

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Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Reason: Response to Applicant



Critical Date: 23 August 2017 Recommendations: 1. That you note the information in this brief, including advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Noted Please discuss 2. Note that, subject to your consideration, Defence will finalise the assessment and approval of the permits for s47G, s33(a)(iii) once the applicant has provided the required additional documentation including the Noted) Please discuss s33(a)(iii) s22 Minister for Defence.. Date /3 /09/2017

**Key Points:** 

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8. This assessment of the export application is	based on advice from s7(2A)
Policy Division (IPDIV), Army, and the Ca (CASG).	eign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), International pability Acquisition and Sustainment Group
g s7(2A)	
10.s47C, s33(a)(iii), s47E(d)	
11. IPDIV, Army and CASG advised	
s33(a)(iii)	
13. As there is no clearly identifiable risk that the facilitate serious human rights abuses domes breach Australia's international obligations; policy; and it is unlikely that the export would security, Defence intends to approve the approximation.	tically or externally; the export would not it would be consistent with our foreign ld negatively impact regional and national
14. s33(a)(iii)	Defence will approve this export.
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### Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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Summary of Attachments: A – \$47G

B-s7(2A)

dated 23 September 2016 (provided to

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C - Advice from DFAT, dated 27 October 2016.

D - Talking points: Australian defence export controls.





a. International Obligations – The export will not breach Australia's commitments under arms control regimes and treaties. DEC has confirmed that this export \$47C, \$47E(d)

b. Human Rights — \$7(2A)

c. National Security — \$47G, \$7(2A)

\$47G, \$7(2A)

d. Regional Security — \$7(2A)

e. Foreign Policy — \$7(2A)

22. Noting the assessment in paragraph 21, Defence intends to approve the export, subject to s33(a)(iii)

### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900593 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
MS17-900563 –Sensitive and complex defence export applications
MS17-900580 – Proposed Exports of Military Goods s47G, s33(a)(iii)
and s22

Consultation: s7(2A)

IPDIV (A/FAS International Policy Division, Army (Head Land Capability, MAJGEN Kathryn Toohey) and DFAT (FAS International Security Division, Richard Sadleir) were consulted in the development of this advice.



### **ATTACHMENT E**

### Talking Points - Australian defence export controls

Australian defence export controls

- The export of military goods and technology from Australia is subject to Australia's export control provisions.
  - O These provisions reflect Australia's international obligations and commitment to global security and counter-proliferation efforts, and apply whether the export is undertaken by the government or the private sector.
- Defence does not release the details of export applications due to commercial-inconfidence considerations.
  - As a regulator, Defence relies on a frank and open exchange of information with applicants. This includes applicants sharing their sensitive commercial information.
  - Releasing this information would breach this confidence and lead to a lack of trust in Defence's ability to protect applicants' information.
  - This would be detrimental to Defence's ability to effectively regulate the export of military goods and technology.
- Australia's defence export control provisions reflect Australia's international obligations as a member of arms control regimes and signatory to the Arms Trade Treaty, and are consistent with like-minded countries.
  - All exports are assesses against five policy criteria: international obligations, human rights, regional security, national security, and foreign policy.
  - The assessment of applications considers the goods or technology, the way it will be used, and who it will be used by the end-user. This includes looking at the risk of it being diverted to another end-user.
- The Arms Trade Treaty was ratified by Australian in June 2014 and imposes obligations on Australia in relation to exports.
  - The obligations include assessing any possible negative consequences in relation to human rights, terrorism, peace and security, and transnational organised crime.
  - Consideration of Arms Trade Treaty obligations are a key part of the assessment process for export applications.

### Australian defence industry

- The Australian government signalled its intent to grow Australian defence industry through the release of the Defence Industry Policy Statement in 2016.
  - o Growing Australia's defence industry includes increasing defence exports.
  - Defence exports build the resilience, international competitiveness, and sustainability of Australia's defence industry to meet our defence capability needs.
  - All exports will continue to be assessed under Australia's export control provisions.

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Approval of Export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

Comment [LSA1]: To be updated as appropriate

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Recommendation/s:

1. That you agree in-principle to the export of \$47G, \$33(a) (iii) under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 (subject to the provision of US re-export approvals).

2. Note that, subject to your agreement, Defence will finalise the assessment and approval of the permits for the \$47G, \$33(a) (iii) once the applicant has provided the required additional documentation, including the \$33(a)(iii)

Minister for Defence.

Date / /

Key Points:

	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
2.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
3.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
5.	s33(a)(iii)

Comment [LSA2]: To be confirmed with applicant

s33(a)(iii)			
<sub>5.</sub> s7(2A)			
7. s47E(d), s47C			

**Comment [LSA3]:** To be updated when advice from DFAT is received

- 8. Defence recommends you agree in-principle to this export under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 as there is no clearly identifiable risk that the goods would be used to either commit or facilitate serious human rights abuses, the export will not breach our international obligations and it is unlikely that the export will negatively impact regional and national security.
- 9. If you agree in-principle to this export, Defence will provide permits, the required additional documentation, \$33(a)(iii)

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### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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### **Summary of Attachments:**

A - s47G

B-s7(2A)

dated 5 May 2017 (provided to action

addressees only).

C - Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, dated 27 October 2016.

**Comment [LSA4]:** To be updated when advice has been received from DFAT

### **Background:**

- 10. DEC administers export controls on the export of military, other lethal and dual-use goods, services and technologies in support of Australia's arms control and counter-proliferation efforts.
- 11. The controlled items are consolidated in a legislative instrument, the Defence and Strategic Goods List (DSGL). The DSGL is primarily derived from the four main international export control regimes (the Wassenaar Arrangement, the Nuclear Suppliers Group, the Missile Technology Control Regime and the Australia Group).
- 12. Defence administers defence export controls under four pieces of legislation:
  - Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958 authorises the Minister for Defence, or a delegate, to permit the physical export of goods listed in the DSGL;
  - The Defence Trade Controls Act 2012 requires permits for the intangible supply and publication of technology relating to defence and strategic goods, and brokering the supply of DSGL goods and technology;
  - c. The Weapons of Mass Destruction (Prevention of Proliferation) Act 1995 provides the power to prohibit the export of goods, technologies or services that, while not listed in the DSGL, could assist a chemical, biological, or nuclear program and means of delivery (a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Program). This is referred to as 'catch-all' legislation as it addresses specific cases where the items would not normally be controlled for export, but where the Minister for Defence has reason to believe or suspect that the items are destined for a WMD program and therefore wishes to prevent to the export; and
  - d. Section 112BA of the Customs Act 1901 (military end use provision), provides another 'catch-all' power to prohibit the export of goods that, while not listed in the DSGL and therefore not routinely controlled for export, could contribute to a particular military end use that would prejudice Australia's security, defence or international relations.
- 13. The administrative authority to approve exports has been delegated to Defence officials, but the decision to deny exports remains solely with you.

### <sub>14.</sub>s47G

Assessment Process

- 15. DEC assesses all applications against five criteria, including consideration of Australia's obligations under the ATT. The assessment includes the consideration of the goods/technology, the end-user, the end-use, the destination country and other risks such as the possible diversion of the export. The five criteria are:
  - a. International obligations whether the export is destined for countries which are subject to United Nations Security Council or Australian Autonomous Sanctions; or is destined for countries where the export might be used in a manner contrary to Australia's international obligations or commitments;
  - b. Human Rights whether the export poses a clearly identifiable risk that the goods would be used to commit or facilitate serious human rights abuses;
  - c. National Security whether the export might compromise Australia's wider security interests, is destined for countries with policies or interests which are inimical to the strategic interests of Australia or its friends or allies, might adversely affect Australia's military capability or compromise operations capability;
  - d. Regional Security whether the export might contribute to the instability in the region or aggravate the threat to international and regional peace and security; and
  - e. Foreign Policy whether the export is destined for countries developing (or suspected of developing) weapons of mass destruction or the means for their delivery, or supporting terrorism.
- 16. The assessment is informed by consultation with a range of areas across government including \$7(2A)

S7(2A) Capability Managers where the export relates to goods/technology used by the Australian Defence Force, international Policy Division in relation to Defence's international relationships and the DFAT in relation to ATT obligations, human rights and international relations.

 Advice on Defence Export Controls more broadly was previously provided to both your office and the Office of the Minister for Defence Industry on 25 October 2016 (MA16-002622 refers).

Assessment of the export



19. S7(2A) Defence sought further advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) (see Attachment C). DFAT noted that ?????.

20. s47E(d)

**Comment [LSA5]:** To be updated when advice has been received from DFAT.

Previous Arms Control Regime denials

a. There are no relevant by Wassenaar Regime members (the relevant export control regime \$33(a)(iii)

Recommendation

21. Defence recommends that you agree in-principle to this export as:

- a. s47G, s33(a)(iii), s7(2A)
  b.
  c.
  d.
- e. the goods will be unlikely to negatively impact Australia's national security interests. s33(a)(iii)

however, it will not be to a level that threatens Australia's relative capability;

- f. the export will not breach Australia's commitments under international export control regimes; and
- g. the export will not be used in a WMD program and will not support terrorism.
- 22. If you agree in-principle to the export, Defence will provide permits \$47G required additional documentation, such as \$33(a)(iii)

Comment [LSA6]: To be updated when advice has been received from DFAT.

### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900592 – Approval of Export of S47G, s33(a)(iii)
MS17-900563 – Defence Exports to the S33(a)(iii)
MS17-900580 – Proposed Exports of Military Goods to S33(a)(iii)
and

s22

Consultation:

Yes.

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s7(2A) International Policy Division (FAS International Policy Division, Scott

Dewar?????) and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (FAS International Security Division, Richard Sadleir?????), were consulted in the development of this advice.

Comment [LSA7]: To be updated after

s33(a)(iii)	
Recommendation	•
21. Defence recommends that you agree in-principle to this export as:	
s47G, s33(a)(iii)	
e. the goods will be unlikely to negatively impact Australia's national security interests.  \$33(a)(iii)  however, it will not be to a level that threatens Australia's relative capability;  f. the export will not breach Australia's commitments under international export control regimes; and  g. the export will not be used in a WMD program and will not support terrorism.  22. If you agree in-principle to the export, Defence will provide permits \$47G  required additional documentation, such as t  \$33(a)(iii)  Related Briefs:	Comment [LSA6]: To be updated what advice has been received from DFAT.
MS17-900592 – Approval of Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)  MS17-900563 – Defence Exports to the s33(a)(iii)  MS17-900580 – Proposed Exports of Military Goods to s33(a)(iii)  and s22	
Consultation:	
Yes.	
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s7(2A) International Policy Division (FAS International Policy Division, Scott	

Comment [LSA7]: To be updated after consultation.

Dewar?????) and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (FAS International Security Division,

Richard Sadleir?????), were consulted in the development of this advice.



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Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 23 August 2017

Reason: Response to Applicant

Recommendations:

1. That you note the information in this brief, including advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Noted / Please discuss

2. Note that, subject to your consideration, Defence will finalise the assessment and approval of the permits for the s47G, s47G, s33(a<u>)(iii)</u>

Noted) Please discuss

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Minister for Defence

Date 25/08/2017

Key Points: s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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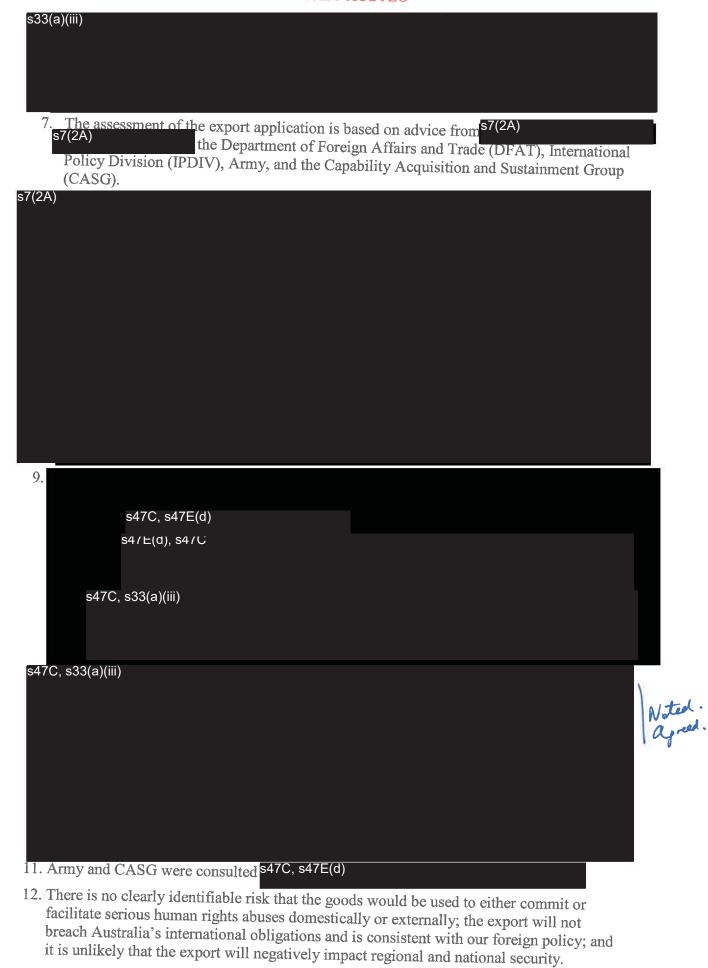
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s33(a)(iii)

Defence will approve this export.

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Mr Tom Hamilton
First Assistant Secretar

First Assistant Secretary Strategic Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group

Telephone: 02 6265 1883

T August 2017

Contact officer: Mr Damien Chifley Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422



**Financial Impacts:** 

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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**Summary of Attachments:** 

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B = s7(2A)

dated 5 May 2017 (provided to action

addressees only).

C – Advice from DFAT, dated 15 June 2017.

D - Advice from DFAT, dated 23 June 2017.

E – Talking points: Australian defence export controls.

**Background:** 

# Background:

Advice regarding the expor	rt .		
Advice regarding the exports 7(2A)			
5, s47C, s47E(d)			
s47E(d), s47C			

s47C, s33(a)(iii)
16. International Policy Division was consulted s47C, s33(a)(iii)
347 C, 333(a)(iii)
17. s7(2A)
Army and CASG were consulted. s47C, s47E(d)
Previous arms control regime denials
18. This proposed export is controlled under the provisions of the Wassenaar Arrangement, which controls select conventional weapons and dual-use technologies.
19. There are no relevant denials countries.  Wassenaar Arrangement member
Assessment of the export
20. Defence has assessed the export against the five criteria:
a. International Obligations – The export will not breach Australia's commitments under arms control regimes and treaties. There are no relevant regime denials and
b. Human Rights – There is no clearly identifiable risk that the goods will be used in human rights violations. \$33(a)(iii) \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)
c. National Security – s47G s47G s7(2A)
s7(2A) Army and CASG have advised that they s47C, s47E(d)
d. Regional Security – s33(a)(iii) s33(a)(iii)
e. Foreign Policy –As there is a low risk of the goods being used in a manner that is
inconsistent with Australian interests s33(a)(iii) s33(a)(iii)
21. Noting the assessment in paragraph 20, Defence intends to approve this export, subject to \$33(a)(iii)

**Related Briefs:** 

MS17-900592 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

MS17-900563 - Sensitive and complex defence export applications

MS17-900580 – Proposed Exports of Military Goods to \$33(a)(iii)

and s22

Consultation

s7(2A)

IPDIV (A/FAS International Policy Division,

CDRE Stephen Woodall), CASG (Head Land Systems Division, MAJGEN David Coghlan), Army (Head Land Capability, MAJGEN Kathryn Toohey) and DFAT (FAS International Security Division, Richard Sadleir) were consulted in the development of this advice.





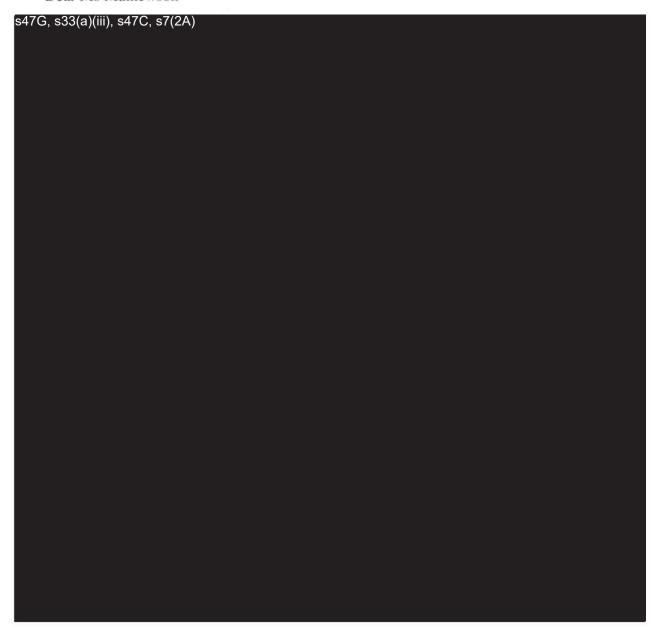
# **Australian Government**

# Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

/5 June 2017

Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence Russell Offices CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson







Yours sincerely

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Robert McKinnon
Acting First Assistant Secretary
International Security Division



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### **ATTACHMENT E**

# Talking Points - Australian defence export controls

Australian defence export controls

- The export of military goods and technology from Australia is subject to Australia's export control provisions.
  - O These provisions reflect Australia's international obligations and commitment to global security and counter-proliferation efforts, and apply whether the export is undertaken by the government or the private sector.
- Defence does not release the details of export applications due to commercial-inconfidence considerations.
  - As a regulator, Defence relies on a frank and open exchange of information with applicants. This includes applicants sharing their sensitive commercial information.
  - Releasing this information would breach this confidence and lead to a lack of trust in Defence's ability to protect applicants' information.
  - This would be detrimental to Defence's ability to effectively regulate the export of military goods and technology.
- Australia's defence export control provisions reflect Australia's international obligations as a member of arms control regimes and signatory to the Arms Trade Treaty, and are consistent with like-minded countries.
  - All exports are assesses against five policy criteria: international obligations, human rights, regional security, national security, and foreign policy.
  - The assessment of applications considers the goods or technology, the way it will be used, and who it will be used by the end-user. This includes looking at the risk of it being diverted to another end-user.
- The Arms Trade Treaty was ratified by Australian in June 2014 and imposes obligations on Australia in relation to exports.
  - The obligations include assessing any possible negative consequences in relation to human rights, terrorism, peace and security, and transnational organised crime.
  - Consideration of Arms Trade Treaty obligations are a key part of the assessment process for export applications.

## Australian defence industry

- The Australian government signalled its intent to grow Australian defence industry through the release of the Defence Industry Policy Statement in 2016.
  - o Growing Australia's defence industry includes increasing defence exports.
  - Defence exports build the resilience, international competitiveness, and sustainability of Australia's defence industry to meet our defence capability needs.
  - All exports will continue to be assessed under Australia's export control provisions.

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PDR: MS17-900758

**Reason:** These export applications are currently held by

Defence, pending your noting this advice.

Ref: FASSP(S)/OUT/2017/

#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information Through: DEPSEC SP&I

Copies to: SEC, CDF, CDS 57(2 , 57(2A ASDEC, FASIP

Critical Date: 11 August 2017

## Sensitive and complex defence export applications

Recommendations:	
Note the export applications detailed in <u>Attachment A</u> .	Noted / Please discuss
2. Note that once you have considered this advice, Defence will finalise the assessments and approve the permits.	Noted / Please discuss
Minister for Defence	Date / /

## **Key Points:**

- 1. The purpose of this submission is to provide greater visibility of four sensitive and complex cases being considered by Defence.
- 2. s47E(d)
- 3. This submission follows earlier advice (MS17-900563 refers) which provided information on the assessment of nine applications for the export of military or dual-use goods or technology to a range of countries \$\frac{\$33(a)(iii)}{}\$. This submission provides information on the assessment of four additional applications, that has been finalised following consultation with your office.
- 4. Each of the applications has been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with a range of areas across government. Individual assessments are included in <a href="Attachment A.">Attachment A.</a>

	cases. Once noted, Defence will proceed to finalise all cases. If you wish to discuss any of the cases, I ur convenience.
Mr Tom Hamilton First Assistant Secretary Strategic Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group Telephone: 02 6265 1883 August 2017	Contact officer: Mr Damien Chifley Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422
Sensitivity:	
s33(a)(iii)	
These cases are either nearing, or have already edays.	xceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35
Financial Impacts:	
There are no financial impacts.	
<b>Summary of Attachments:</b>	
A – Current sensitive and complex export applic	eations.
Related Briefs:	
MS17-900558 – DEC – s47E(d) MS17-900563 – Sensitive and complex defence	export applications
Consultation:	
The attached case notes at <u>Attachment A</u> have be \$7(2A)	een consulted and agreed by the s7(2A)
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Mr Ro Issues and Intelligence Branch and S22 Policy Section), International Policy Division (Mr Ro , Five Power Defence Arrang	, Director Conventional Weapons and Space As Anita Lewan, \$\frac{\$33(a)(iii)}{2}\$ gements, South and South East Asia Branch and Mrests), and Capability Acquisition and Sustainment



PDR: MS17-900758

Ref: FASSP(S)/OUT/2017/45

#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: DEPSEC SP&I S22/9/8

Copies to: SEC, CDF, CDS, \$7(2 \$7(2A) FASIP, ASDEC

# Sensitive or complex defence export applications

Critical Date: 25 August 2017	Reason: These export applications are currently held by
	Defence

#### Recommendations:

1. Note that Defence intends to finalise nine sensitive or complex export applications.

Noted / Please discuss

Minister for Defence...... Date

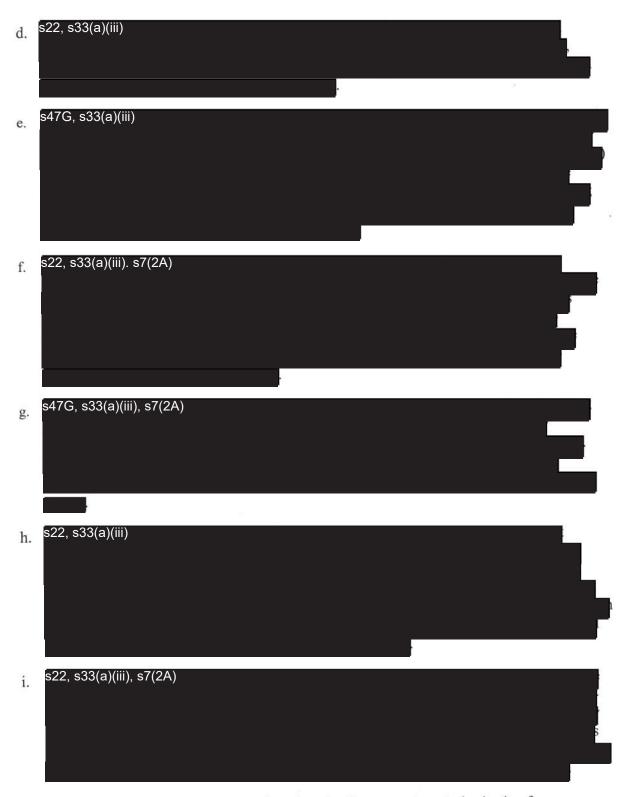
# **Key Points:**

1. The purpose of this submission is to provide greater visibility of nine sensitive or complex cases being considered by Defence. These cases are summarised below.



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s47G, s33(a)(iii) s47C



Each of the applications has been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with a range of areas across Defence and other government agencies, including IP Div. 57(2 DFAT.

Defence intends to finalise the assessments and approve the permits for all cases. If you wish to discuss any of the cases, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

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Ms Samantha Higgins A/First Assistant Secretary Strategic Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group

Telephone: 02 6265 1883

| 8 August 2017

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)

These cases are either nearing, or have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

# Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts.

**Related Briefs:** 

MS17-900558 - DEC - s47E(d)

MS17-900563 - Sensitive and complex defence export applications

Consultation:

The assessments of these cases included consultation with S7(2A)

DFAT (Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary Strategic Issues and Interrigence Branch and S22

Director Conventional Weapons and Space Policy Section), IP Div (Ms Anita Lewan, Director S33(a)(iii)

Five Power Defence

Arrangements, South and South East Asia Branch and Mr Steven Moore, Assistant Secretary

Global Interests), and Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group (Mr Rex Rowe, A/Director General Integrated Soldier Systems Branch).



PDR: MS17-900758

Ref: FASSP(S)/OUT/2017/45

#### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: DEPSEC SP&I
Copies to: SEC, CDF, CDS, S7(2), S7(2A), FASIP, ASDEC



# Sensitive or complex defence export applications

Critical Date: 25 August 2017 Reason: These export applications are currently held by Defence

# Recommendations:

1. Note that Defence intends to finalise nine sensitive or complex export applications.

Noted Please discuss

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Minister for Defence

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### **Key Points:**

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b. s22, s33(a)(iii), s7(2A)

c. s47G, s33(a)(iii), s7(2A)

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2. Each of the applications has been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with a range of areas across Defence and other government agencies, including IP Div, 57(, and DFAT.

3.	Defence intends to finalise the assessments and approve the permits for all cases. If you wish to
	discuss any of the cases, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

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Ms Samantha Higgins
A/First Assistant Secretary Strategic Policy
Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group

Telephone: 02 6265 1883

| 8 August 2017

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## Sensitivity:

s33(	(a)	(iii)

These cases are either nearing, or have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts.

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 - DEC - s47E(d)

MS17-900563 - Sensitive and complex defence export applications

#### Consultation:

The assessments of these cases included consultation with \$7(2A)

s7(2], DFAT (Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch and s22 Director Conventional Weapons and Space Policy Section), IP Div (Ms Anita Lewan, Director s33(a)(iii) , Five Power Defence Arrangements, South and South East Asia Branch and Mr Steven Moore, Assistant Secretary Global Interests), and Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group (Mr Rex Rowe, A/Director General Integrated Soldier Systems Branch).

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IPDIV .

IPDIV was not consulted as \$47E(d), \$33(a)(iii)

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PDR: MS18-900251 FASDIP/OUT/2018/01413339



Minister for Defence - For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information Copies to: Secretary, CDF, DEPSEC SP&I, FASIP, ASDEC, 57(2A) 57(2A)

Complex or sensitive defence export applications 5 of 2018

Critical Date: 28 March 2018	Reason: These application limit for processing.	s have exceeded the 35 day
Recommendation:		
<ol> <li>That you note that Defence intends sensitive export applications.</li> </ol>	s to finalise three complex or	Noted Please discuss
Minister for I	Defence	ate 13/04/2018

## **Key Points:**

- 1. On 25 August 2017 you noted the s47E(d) of complex or sensitive export applications (MS17-900558 refers).
- 2. Defence has assessed three cases that meet the

a.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)	

s22, s47G, s33(a)(iii) b.

s22, s47G, s7(2A), s33(a)(iii)

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- 3. These applications have been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by previous consultation with \$7(2A) IP Division and DFAT.
- 4. Defence intends to finalise these assessments and approve the permits for these cases. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

#### s22

Dr Sheridan Kearnan First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy Telephone: 02 6265 7195 March 2018

Contact officer: Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

### Sensitivity:

Yes. These export applications have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

#### Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts.

#### Related Briefs:

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – S47E(d)
MS17-900758 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications
MS18-000008 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 1 of 2018
MS18-900010 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 2 of 2018
MS18-900136 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 3 of 2018
MS18-900251 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 4 of 2018

#### Consultation:

Yes. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with Branch) S7(2A)

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S33(a)(iii)

Directorate, South and Southeast Asia Branch and Middle East, United Nations, Africa and Peacekeeping Directorate, Global Interests Branch) and DFAT (Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division



## MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

PDR: MS18-900251 FASDIP/OUT/2018/01413339



Minister for Defence - For action

Critical Date: 17 April 2018

Minister for Defence Industry – For information \$22

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, DEPSEC SP&I, FASIP, ASDEC 57(2A, 57(2A), FASMECC

## **COMPLEX OR SENSITIVE DEFENCE EXPORT APPLICATIONS 5 OF 2018**

Recommendation:	
<ol> <li>That you note that Defence intends to finalise two complex or sensitive export applications.</li> </ol>	Noted / Please discuss
Minister for Defence	Date / /

**Reason:** These applications have exceeded the 35 day

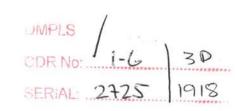
### **Key Points:**

- 1. On 25 August 2017 you noted the proposed guidelines for Defence to \$47E(d) of complex or sensitive export applications (MS17-900558 refers).
- 2. Defence has assessed two cases that meet the \$47E(d)



3. These applications have been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by previous consultation with \$7(2A). IP Division and DFAT.

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4. Defence intends to finalise these assessments and approve the permits for these cases. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Tina Mathewson Acting First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy Telephone: 02 6265 7195 10 April 2018 Contact officer: Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

#### Sensitivity:

Yes. These export applications have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

#### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts.

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – s47E(d)
MS17-900758 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications
MS18-000008 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 1 of 2018
MS18-90010 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 2 of 2018
MS18-900136 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 3 of 2018
MS18-900251 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 4 of 2018

#### Consultation:

Yes. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with \$7(2A)

Branch), s7(2A)

IP Division s33(a)(iii)

Directorate, South and Southeast Asia Branch and Middle East, United Nations, Africa and Peacekeeping Directorate, Global Interests Branch) and DFAT (Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division.

Reason: These applications have exceeded the 35 day

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limit for processing.

**Department of Defence** 

Critical Date: 28 March 2018

Minister for Defence – For action

Minister for Defence Industry – For information
Copies to: Secretary, CDF, DEPSEC SP&I, FASIP, ASDEC, 57(2A) 57(2A)

# Complex or sensitive defence export applications 5 of 2018

Recommendation:
1. That you note that Defence intends to finalise three complex or sensitive export applications.  Noted / Please discuss
Minister for Defence
Key Points:
1. On 25 August 2017 you noted the proposed guidelines for Defence to provide you with s47E(d) of complex or sensitive export applications (MS17-900558 refers).
2. Defence has assessed three cases that meet the s47E(d)
a. s47G, s33(a)(iii)
b. s22, s47G, s33(a)(iii)
c. s22, s47G, s7(2A), s33(a)(iii)

- 3. These applications have been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by previous consultation with \$7(2A) IP Division and DFAT.
- 4. Defence intends to finalise these assessments and approve the permits for these cases. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

#### s22

Dr Sheridan Kearnan First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy Telephone: 02 6265 7195 // March 2018 Contact officer: Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## Sensitivity:

Yes. These export applications have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts.

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – S47E(d)
MS17-900758 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications
MS18-000008 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 1 of 2018
MS18-90010 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 2 of 2018
MS18-900136 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 3 of 2018
MS18-900251 – Sensitive or complex defence export applications – No. 4 of 2018

#### Consultation:

Yes. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with [57(2A)]

IP Division [533(a)(iii)]

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Directorate, South and Southeast Asia Branch and Middle East, United Nations,

Africa and Peacekeeping Directorate, Global Interests Branch) and DFAT (Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division



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Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry - For information \$2

Through: Secretary

Copies to: Associate Secretary, CDF, FASIP, \$7(2A), FASMECC, HLC (Army), HLS (CASG)

## PROPOSED EXPORT OF s47G, s33(a)(iii)

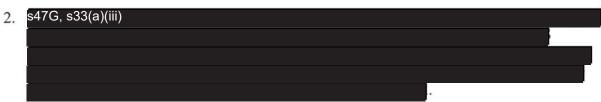
Reason: s47G, s33(a)(iii) Critical Date: 17 May 2018 Recommendations: 1. That you note that on 13 July 2017, Defence advised you of the Department's intent to finalise the assessment and approval of Noted / Please discuss the permits for s47G, s33(a)(iii) 2. That you note that the required additional documentation has Noted / Please discuss been provided, s33(a)(iii) 3. That you note that due to the lapse of time since the original Noted / Please discuss assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. 4. That you note that the re-assessment has raised some additional considerations s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 5. s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 6. That you note that through the whole-of-government Noted / Please discuss consultation, s33(a)(iii) 7. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application. Noted / Please discuss Minister for Defence..... Date

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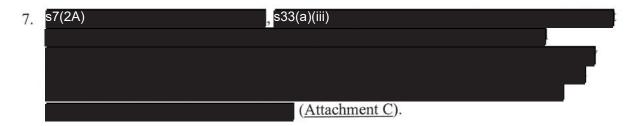




3. Defence had previously advised you that the risks surrounding this intended export were acceptable. Noting the time lapse between when Defence's original assessment was undertaken (mid 2017) and \$33(a)(iii) it was assessed that it would be appropriate to undertake a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. The re-assessment of the application has included updated inputs from \$7(2A) the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).

# **Key Considerations**





8. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law (IHL) or international human rights law, as applicable.



13. s47E(d)	
14. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (F	Prohibited Exports) Regulation, s33(a)(iii) about using your powers to revoke the permit.
15. s47G, s33(a)(iii)	
Next Steps	
16. <mark>s33(a)(iii)</mark>	,
18. Defence intends s47G wish to discuss, I would be happy to pro	and approve the export permit. If you vide more detail at your convenience.
Cleared by Dr Sheridan Kearnan Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group Telephone: 02 6265 7915 14 May 2018	Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Telephone: 02 6265 6422
Sensitivity:	
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# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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# **Summary of Attachments:**

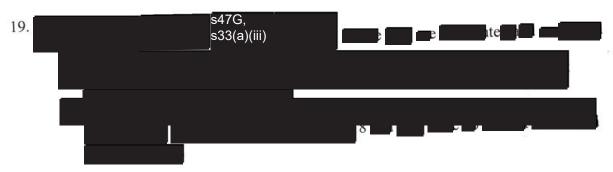
A - MS17-900592 Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

B – **\$7(2A)** provided 11 May 2018

C – DFAT updated advice (at Department of Defence request) dated 17 April 2018

# Background:

Advice regarding the export



#### Related Briefs:

MS17-900592 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Consultation: This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), International Policy

Division (Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division), ABF (Sharon Huey, Assistant Commissioner Enforcement Command).



# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

PDR: MS18-900633

FASDIP/OUT/2018/01504517

**Minister for Defence – For action** 

Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

**Minister for Defence Industry – For information** 

**Through: Secretary** 

Copies to: CDF, FASIP, FASDIP, \$7{2}, FASMECC, HLC (Army), HLS (CASG)

Cı	ritical Date: N/A	Reason: Routine	
Re	commendations:		
1.	That you note that on 13 July 2017 Department's intent to finalise the the permits for s47G, s33(a)(iii)  nce to required additional documentation.	assessment and approval of he applicant had provided the	
2.	That you note that the required add been provided, \$33(a)(iii)	dated 26 March.	Noted / Please discuss
3.	That you note that due to the lapse assessment was undertaken, Defendassessment of the application as a constant of the application	ce has undertaken a re-	Noted / Please discuss
4.	That you note that the re-assessment considerations \$33(a)(iii)	nt has raised some additional	Noted / Please discuss
5.	s33(a)(iii)		Noted / Please discuss
6.	s33(a)(iii)		
7.	That you note Defence intends to f	inalise this application.	
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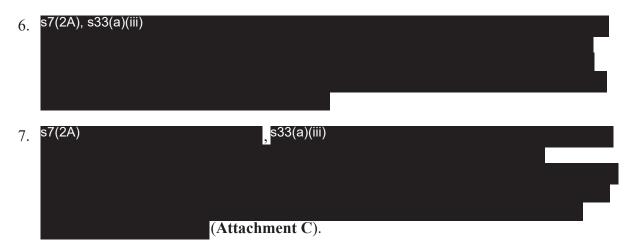
### **Proposed export:**



3. Defence had previously advised you that the risks surrounding this intended export were acceptable. Noting the time lapse between when Defence's original assessment was undertaken (mid 2017) s47G, s33(a)(iii) , it was assessed that it would be appropriate to undertake a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. The re-assessment of the application has included updated inputs from s7(2A) the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).

# **Key Considerations**

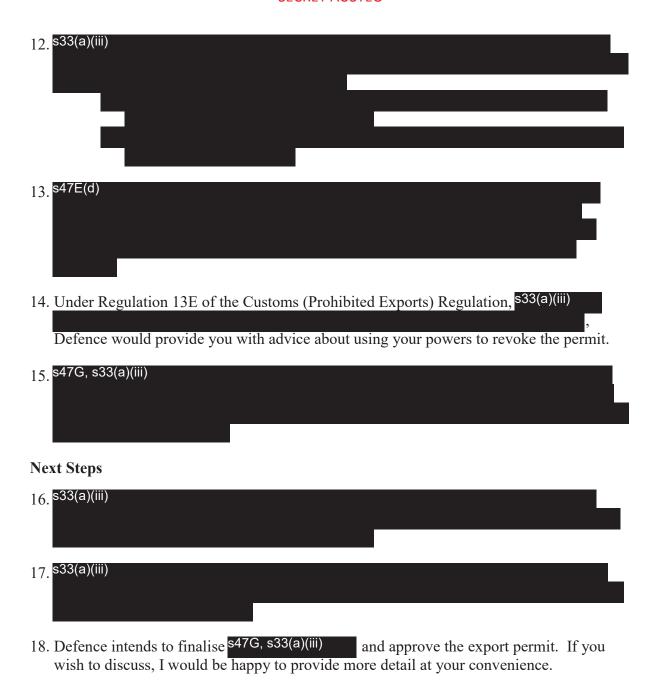




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Dr Sheridan Kearnan
Acting Deputy Secretary
Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group

Telephone: 02 6265 7915

May 2018

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson

# **Sensitivity:**



# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

# **Summary of Attachments:**

A - MS17-900592 Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

 $B - \frac{s7(2A)}{}$  provided 11 May 2018

C – DFAT updated advice (at Department of Defence request) dated 17 April 2018

# **Background:**

Advice regarding the export



# **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900592 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Consultation: \$47E(d), \$47C by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), \$7(2A) ), IP Div (Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division), \$47C



# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

PDR: MS18-900633 FASDIP/OUT/2018/01504517

**Department of Defence** 

Critical Date: N/A

Minister for Defence - For action **Minister for Defence Industry - For information**  $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Through: Secretary} \\ \textbf{Copies to: CDF, FASIP, } \\ \textbf{57(2A)}, FASMECC, HLC (Army), HLS (CASG) \end{array}$ 

<b>Proposed Export of</b>	s47G, s33(a)(iii)		

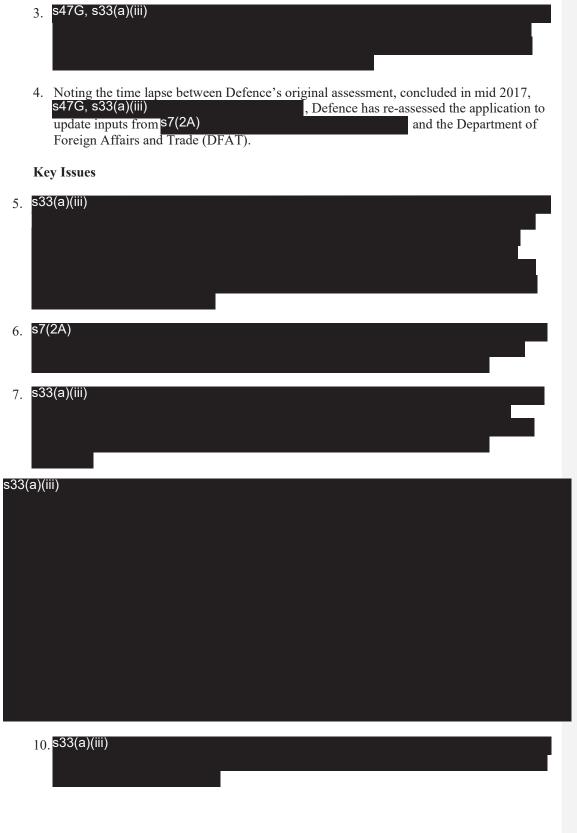
**Reason: Routine** 

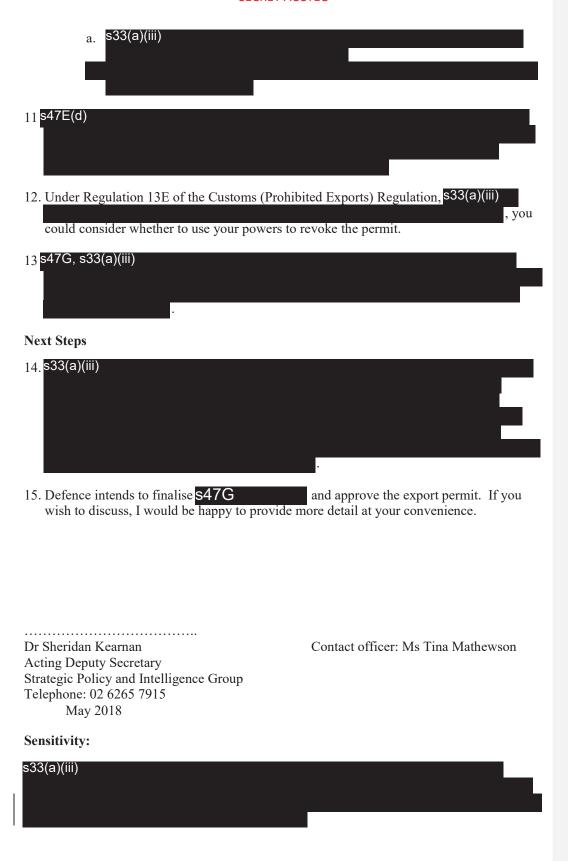
Recommendations:		
1. That you note that Defence has assessed an application for the export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)  Noted	/ Please discuss	
2. s33(a)(iii) Noted	/ Please discuss	
3. s33(a)(iii) Noted	/ Please discuss	
Noted	/ Please discuss	
4. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.		
Minister for Defence	Date /	/

# **Proposed export:**



2. On 13 September 2017, you noted Defence's advice that the risks surrounding this intended export were acceptable and that Defence intended to approve this export conditional upon s47G, s33(a)(iii)







# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

# **Summary of Attachments:**

A – s7(2A) , dated 23 September 2016 (provided to action addressees only).

B \_s7(2A)

C – DFAT advice dated 27 October 2016.

D – DFAT amended advice dated 17 April 2018

# **Background:**

Advice regarding the export



Comment [DLC1]: It said 17 May in paragraph 1.

# **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900592 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Consultation: This advice has been agreed by DFAT (xxx), \$7(2 (xxx), IP Div (xxx), ABF (xxx).



# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

PDR: MS18-900633 FASDIP/OUT/2018/01504517

**Department of Defence** 

**Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information**  $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Through: Secretary} \\ \textbf{Copies to: CDF, FASIP, $7(2A)}, FASMECC, HLC (Army), HLS (CASG) \\ \end{tabular}$ 

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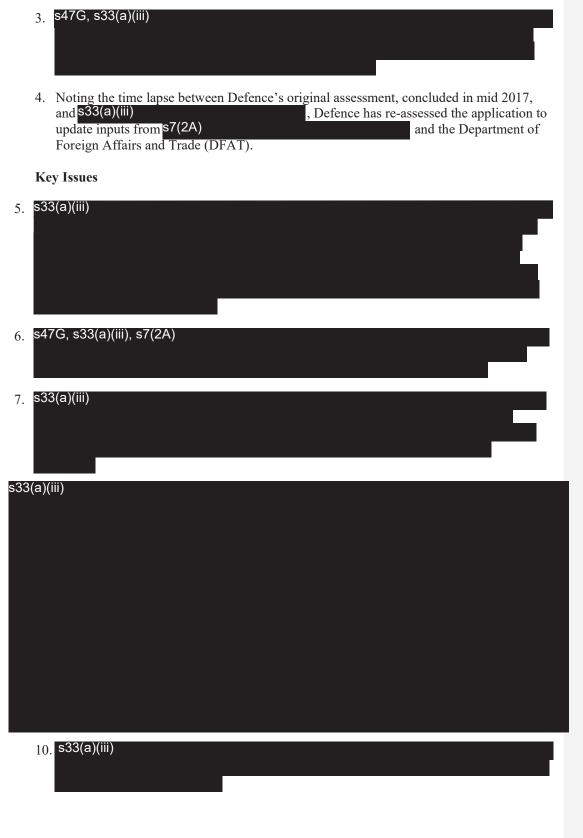
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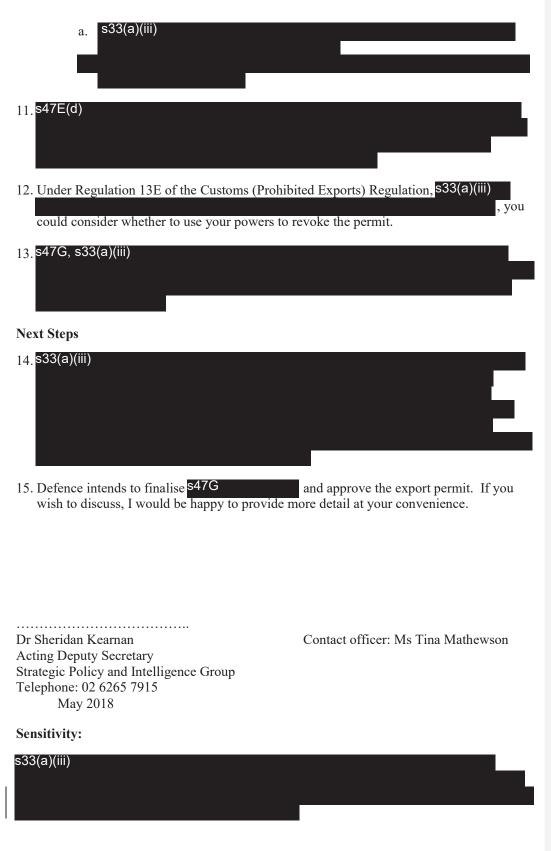
Re	commendations:		
1.	That you note that Defence has assessed an application for the		
	export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
2.	s33(a)(iii)		
		Noted / Please discuss	
3.	s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
		Noted / Please discuss	
4.	That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.		
	Minister for Defence	Date / /	

# **Proposed export:**



2. s47G, s33(a)(iii)







# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

# **Summary of Attachments:**

A = s7(2A)

action addressees only). , dated 23 September 2016 (provided to B \_s7(2A)

C – DFAT advice dated 27 October 2016.

D – DFAT amended advice dated 17 April 2018

# **Background:**

Advice regarding the export



Comment [DLC1]: It said 17 May in paragraph 1.

# **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900592 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Consultation: This advice has been agreed by DFAT (xxx), 57( (xxx), IP Div (xxx), ABF (xxx).



PDR: MS18-900633

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# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

**Minister for Defence – For action** 

**Minister for Defence Industry – For information** 

**Through: Secretary** 

Critical Date: N/A

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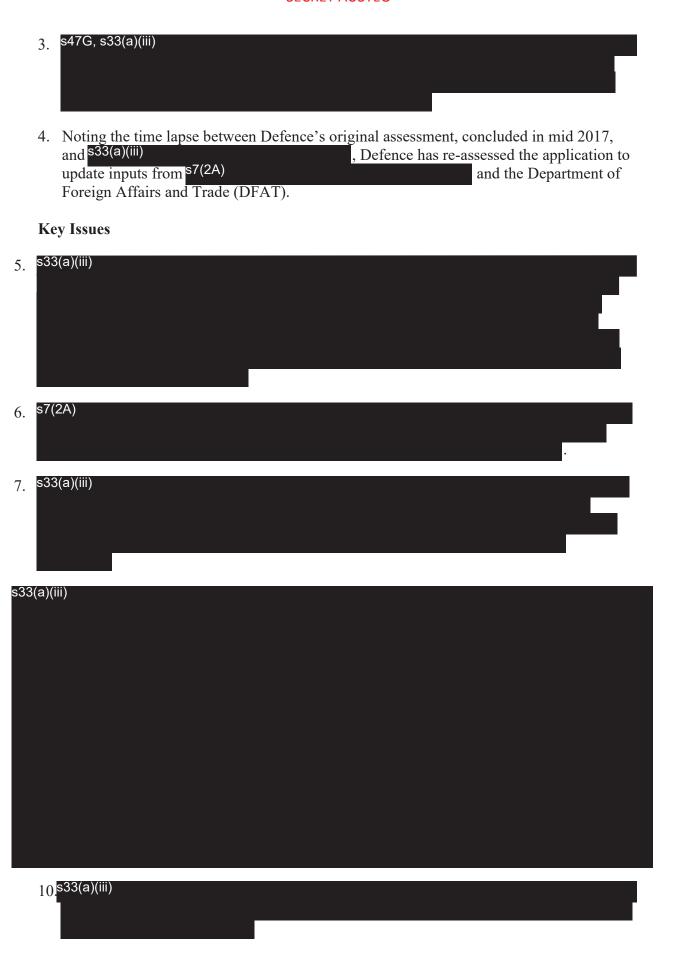
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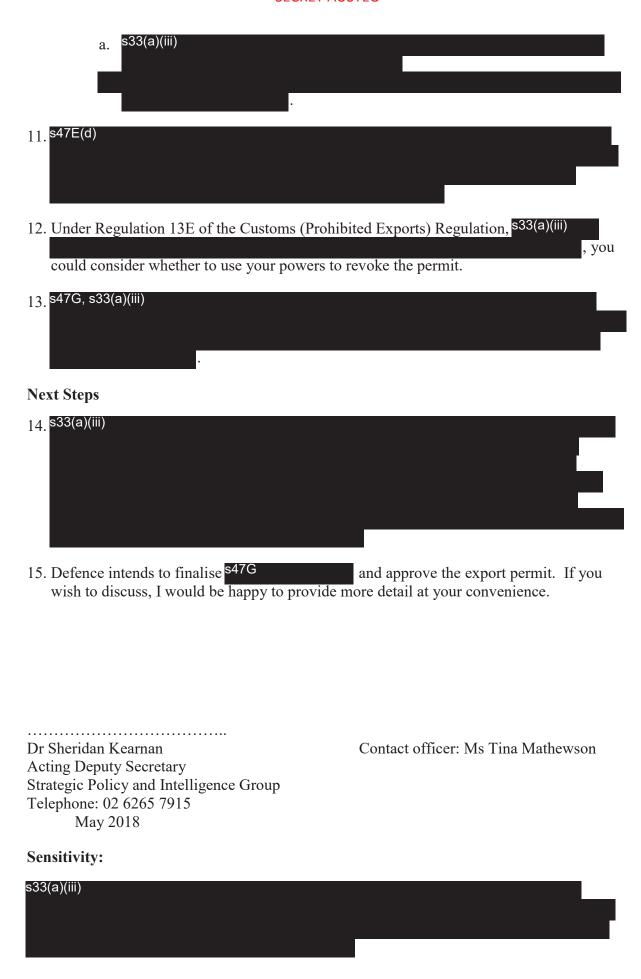
**Reason: Routine** 

**Recommendations:** 1. That you note that Defence has assessed an application for the export of s47G, s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 2. s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss s33(a)(iii) 3. Noted / Please discuss Noted / Please discuss 4. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application. Minister for Defence...... Date

# **Proposed export:**









# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

# **Summary of Attachments:**

A – s7(2A) , dated 23 September 2016 (provided to action addressees only).

B – s7(2A)

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D – DFAT amended advice dated 17 April 2018

# **Background:**

Advice regarding the export



# **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900592 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Consultation: This advice has been agreed by DFAT (xxx), xxx, IP Div (xxx), ABF (xxx).



# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

PDR: MS18-900633 FASDIP/OUT/2018/01504517



Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: Secretar S22 4/5.

Copies to: Associate Secretary, CDF, FASIP, S7(2A) FASMECC, HLC (Army), HLS (CASG)

Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

s47G

Critical Date: 17 May 2018

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Re	commendations:	
1.	That you note that on 13 July 2017, Defence advised you of Department's intent to finalise the assessment and approval \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)  s47G, \$33(a)(iii)  once the applicant had provided required additional documentation.	of Noted / Please discuss
2.	That you note that the required additional documentation has been provided, \$\frac{\sigma33(a)(iii)}{\sigmapproval}\$ approval dated 26 March.	Noted / Please discuss
3.	That you note that due to the lapse of time since the original assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a reassessment of the application as a due diligence measure.	Noted / Please discuss
4.	That you note that the re-assessment has raised some additions s33(a)(iii) s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss
5.	s33(a)(iii)	Noted Please discuss
6.	s33(a)(iii)	Noted/Please discuss
7.	That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss
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3. Defence had previously advised you that the risks surrounding this intended export were acceptable. Noting the time lapse between when Defence's original assessment was undertaken (mid 2017) and sassessed that it would be appropriate to undertake a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. The re-assessment of the application has included updated inputs from said the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).

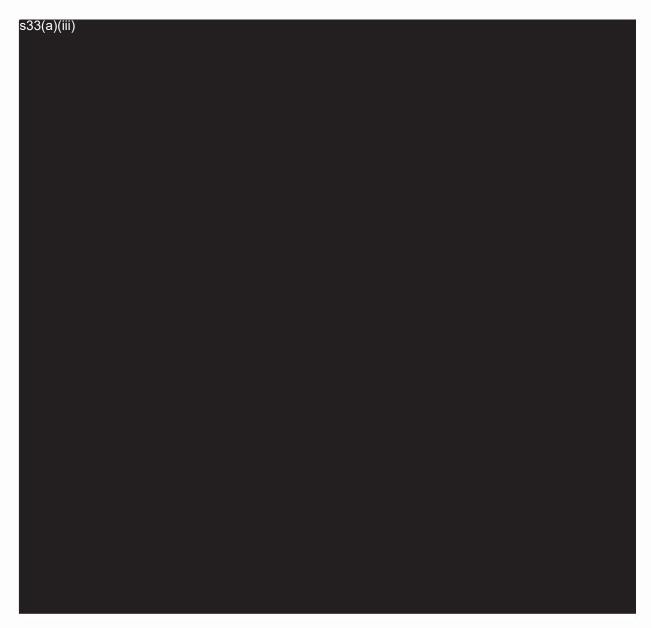
#### **Key Considerations**

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s33(a)(iii)
s7(2A), s33(a)(iii)
8. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law (IHL) or international human rights law, as applicable.
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b. s33(a)(iii)	
13 s47E(d)	
14. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Pros33(a)(iii)  Defence would provide you with advice about	
\$47G, s33(a)(iii)	
Next Steps	
16. s33(a)(iii)	
17 <sup>s33(a)(iii)</sup>	
18. Defence intends to finalise wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide a	and approve the export permit. If you more detail at your convenience.
Dr Sheridan Kearnan Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group Telephone: 02 6265 7915  May 2018	Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson
Sensitivity:	
33(a)(iii)	



# Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

# Summary of Attachments:

A - MS17-900592 Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

B - s7(2A) provided 11 May 2018

C - DFAT updated advice (at Department of Defence request) dated 17 April 2018

# Background:

Advice regarding the export

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s47G, s33(a)(iii)		

#### Related Briefs:

MS17-900592 - Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

National Security Strategy Cyber and Intelligence Branch International Security Division), International Policy Division (Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division Huey, Assistant Commissioner Enforcement Command).





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PDR: MS17-900592

Ref: FASSP(S)/OUT/2017/355

# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

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Minister for Defence Industry – For 522 formation Through: DEPSEC SP&1 and A/Section A/Section Copies to: CDF, FASIP, 57(2 HLC (Army), HLS (CASG)

Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Recommendations:

Critical Date: 23 August 2017

Reason: Response to Applicant



1. That you note the information in this brief, including advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Noted Please discuss

2. Note that, subject to your consideration, Defence will finalise the assessment and approval of the permits for \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) s47G, s33(a)(iii) once the applicant has provided the required additional documentation including the s33(a)(iii) s33(a)(iii)

Noted Please discuss

Minister for Defence..

Date /3 /09/2017

**Key Points:** 

s47G, s33(a)(iii) s47G, s33(a)(iii) 2. s47G, s33(a)(iii) s47G, s33(a)(iii) 3. s47G, s33(a)(iii) s47G, s33(a)(iii) 4. s47G, s33(a)(iii) 5. 6. s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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<sub>7</sub> s33(a)(iii)	
Policy Division (IPDIV), Army, and the Car(CASG).	based on advice from s7(2A) eign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), International pability Acquisition and Sustainment Group
gs7(2A)	
10. s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)	
11. IPDIV, Army and CASG advised \$47E(d), \$4	7C
s33(a)(iii)	
13. As there is no clearly identifiable risk that the goods would be used to either commit or facilitate serious human rights abuses domestically or externally; the export would not breach Australia's international obligations; it would be consistent with our foreign policy; and it is unlikely that the export would negatively impact regional and national security, Defence intends to approve the application.	
14. s33(a)(iii)	Defence will approve this export.
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Mr Tom Hamilton First Assistant Secretary Strategic Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group Telephone: 02 6265 1883  A August 2017	Contact officer: Mr Damien Chifley Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

Sensitivity: s33(a)(iii)

# Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

**Summary of Attachments:** A – s47G, s33(a)(iii)

B = s7(2A)

dated 23 September 2016 (provided to

action addressees only).

C – Advice from DFAT, dated 27 October 2016.

D – Talking points: Australian defence export controls.

# Background:



a. International Obligations - The export will not breach Australia's commitments under arms control regimes and treaties. DEC has confirmed that this export s33(a)(iii) s47E(d), s47C b. Human Rights - s7(2A) s7(2A) s47E(d), s47C c. National Security – s47G, s33(a)(iii) s47G, s33(a)(iii) uai interest advised that s47E(d), s47C Kegional Security \_ s7(2A) s7(2A) e. Foreign Policy – s7(2A) s7(2A) s33(a)(iii), s47C

22. Noting the assessment in paragraph 21, Defence intends to approve the export, subject to s33(a)(iii)

### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900593 – Export of MS17-900563 – Sensitive and complex detence export applications MS17-900580 – Proposed Exports of Military Goods and S22

Consultation:

s7(2A)

IPDIV (A/FAS International Policy Division, Army (Head Land Capability, MAJGEN Kathryn Toohey) and DFAT (FAS International Security Division, Richard Sadleir) were consulted in the development of this advice.











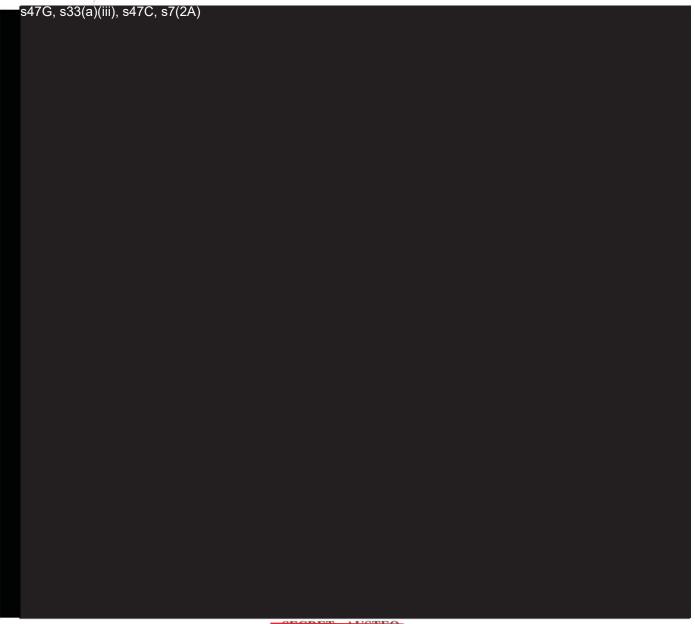
### **Australian Government**

# Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

17 April 2018

Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Control Department of Defence CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson



s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C

Yours sincerely

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Rob McKinnon National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch International Security Division

PDR: MS18-900659

### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence – For action

Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: Secretary

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, FASMECC, \$7(2A), HLC (Army), HLS (Army), FASIP

Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 23 May 2018	s47G	

Re	Recommendations:		
1.	That you note that on 25 August 2017, Defence advised you of the Department's intent to approve a permit for export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
2.	That you note that the additional documentation was provided on 5 April 2018, including s47G, s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
3.	That you note that due to the lapse of time since the original assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a reassessment of the application as a due diligence measure.	Noted / Please discuss	
4.	That you note that while the s47E(d) confirms that considerations remain the same as previously advised,	Noted / Please discuss	
		Noted / Please discuss	
5.	s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
6.	That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss	
	Minister for Defence	Date / /	

Pr	oposed export:
1.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
2.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
3.	On 25 August 2017, you noted advice that Defence intended to approve a permit for the export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)
4.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
5.	Defence had previously advised you that the risks surrounding this intended export were acceptable. Noting the time lapse between when Defence's original assessment was undertaken (mid 2017) and \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) , Defence determined it needed to undertake a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. The re-assessment of the application has included updated inputs from International Policy Division (IPDIV), \$7(2A) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).
6.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
Ke	ey Considerations
7.	s7(2A), s33(a)(iii)
8.	s7(2A)



12. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law (IHL) or international human rights law, as applicable.







19. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation, should any s33(a)(iii) , Defence would provide you with advice about using your powers to revoke the permit.

### **Next Steps**



22. Defence intends to finalise s47G and approve the export permit. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

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Mr Scott Dewar Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and

Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

May 2018

Contact officer: Ms Christina Mathewson

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

### **Sensitivity:**



### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.



### **Summary of Attachments:**

A - MS17-900593 Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

B – s7(2A) provided DD May 2018

C – DFAT updated advice (at Department of Defence request) dated 17 April 2018

### **Background:**

Advice regarding the export



### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900593 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

MS18-900633 – Proposed Exports of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

### **Consultation:**

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), \$7(2) \$7(2A) , IPDIV (Linda McCann,

Acting Assistant Secretary, Global Interests Branch).



PDR: MS18-900659

### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence – For action
Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: Secretary

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, FASMECC, FASDIP, \$7(2A), HLC (Army), HLS (Army), FASIP

# Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 23 May 2018	Reason: For your visibility, noting that the
	company has advised that its costs increase on 23
	May.

Recommendations:		
1. That you note that on 25 August 2017, Defence advised you of the Department's intent to approve a permit for export	Noted / Please discuss	
2. That you note that the additional documentation was provided on 5 April 2018, \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
3. That you note that due to the lapse of time since the original assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a reassessment of the application as a due diligence measure.	Noted / Please discuss	
4. s7(2A)	Noted / Please discuss	
5. s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)	Noted / Please discuss	
6. s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss	
7. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss	
Minister for Defence		

### **Proposed export:**

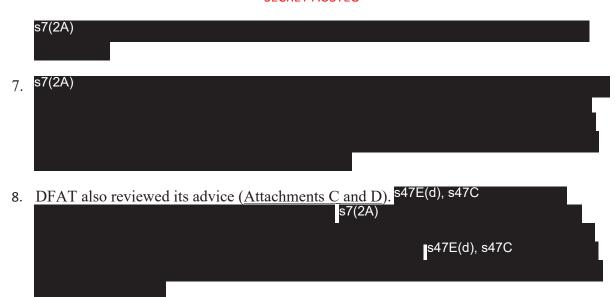


4. Defence's previous advice to you was that the risks surrounding this export were acceptable. Noting the time lapse between when Defence's original assessment was undertaken (mid 2017) s47G, s33(a)(iii) , Defence determined it was prudent to undertake a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. The re-assessment of the application has included updated inputs from International Policy Division (IPDIV), s7(2A) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).



### **Key Considerations**



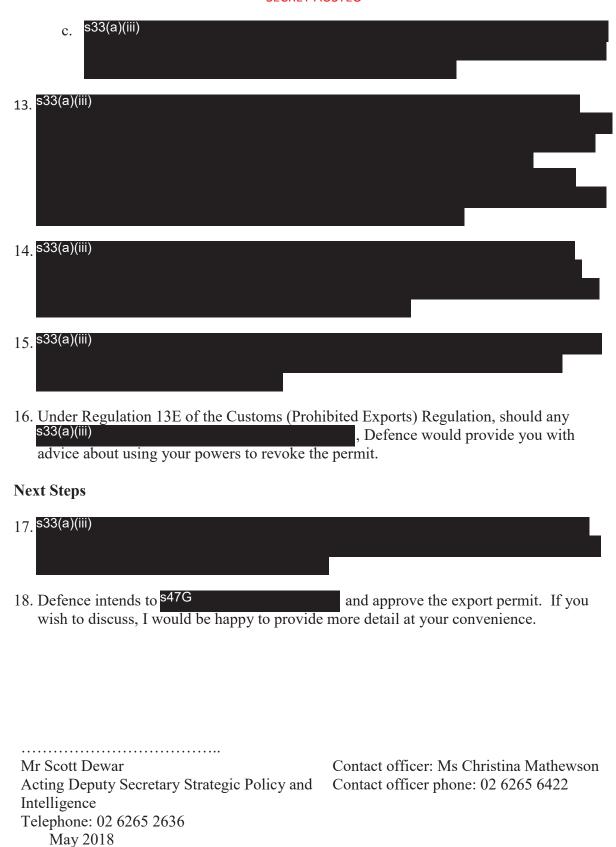


9. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law (IHL) or international human rights law, as applicable.









# **Sensitivity:**





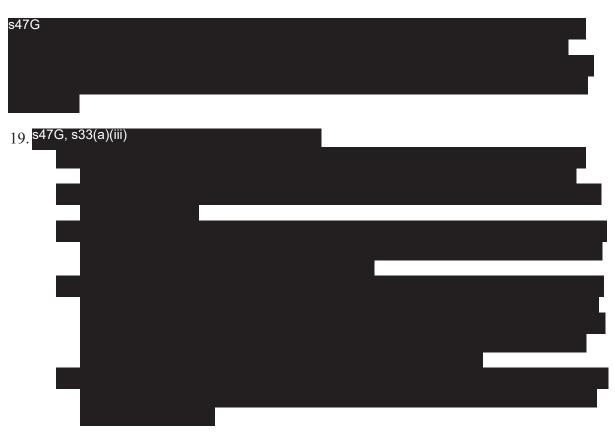
### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

### **Summary of Attachments:**

- A MS17-900593 Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
- B s7(2A) 21 May 2018
- C DFAT advice 15 June 2017
- D DFAT updated advice (at Department of Defence request) dated 17 April 2018

### **Background:**



Defence notes that this is a commercial matter. The company's financial situation is not a consideration in the export approval process. No undertaking has been made to the company that the approval will be issued by 23 May.

### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900593 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

MS18-900633 – Proposed Exports of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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### **Consultation:**

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), \$7(2A)

IPDIV (Mr Stephen

Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).



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**Department of Defence** 

**MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION** 



Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry – For information \$22

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Through: Secretary
Copies to: Secretary, CDF, ASSOC SEC, FASMECC, FASDIP, 57(2A) HLC (Army), HLS (Army), FASIP

Critical Date: 23 May 2018	
Recommendations:	
1. That you note that on 25 August 2017, Defence advised y the Department's intent to approve a permit for export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)	
2. s47G, s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss
3. That you note that due to the lapse of time since the origin assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure.	Noted / Please discuss
4. (s7(2A)	Noted / Please discuss
5. s47E(d), s33(a)(iii), s47C,	Noted / Please discuss
6. s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss
7. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss
Minister for Defence	Date / /

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Pr	oposed export:
1.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
2.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
3.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
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5.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
Ke	y Considerations
6.	s7(2A)

7.	s7(2A)	
8.	DFAT also reviewed its advice (Attachments C and D). s47E(d), s47C s47E(d), s47C  s47E(d), s47C  s47E(d), s47C  s47E(d), s47C	
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12.	s33(a)(iii)	

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15 <sup>s33(a)(iii)</sup>
16. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation, should any S33(a)(iii)  Defence would provide you with advice about using your powers to revoke the permit.
Next Steps
17. s33(a)(iii)
18. Defence intends to finalise s47G and approve the export permit. If you

wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Cleared by Mr Scott Dewar Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422 Intelligence Telephone: 02 6265 2636 21 May 2018

Contact officer: Ms Christina Mathewson

# Sensitivity: s33(a)(iii)

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### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

### **Summary of Attachments:**

- A MS17-900593 Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
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MS17-900593 — Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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s47G, s33(a)(iii)

### Consultation:

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(Mr Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).



### MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

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Through: Secretary

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Office of Senator the Hon Marise Payne

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Minister for Defence

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PDR: MS18-900659

PROPOSED EXPORT OF s47G, s33(a)(iii)

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 23 May 2018 Reason: For your visibility, noting that the company has

# advised that its costs increase on 23 May. Recommendations: 1. That you note that on 25 August 2017, Defence advised you of the Department's intent to approve a permit for export of Noted /Please discuss s47G, s33(a)(iii) 2, s47G, s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 3. That you note that due to the lapse of time since the original Noted / Please discuss assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. (Noted) Please discuss s47E(d), s33(a)(iii), s47C Noted Please discuss s33(a)(iii) ease discuss 7. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application. Noted / Please discuss Note: Why is this brief and Minister for Defence......s22

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MINDEF comments (23 May 18):

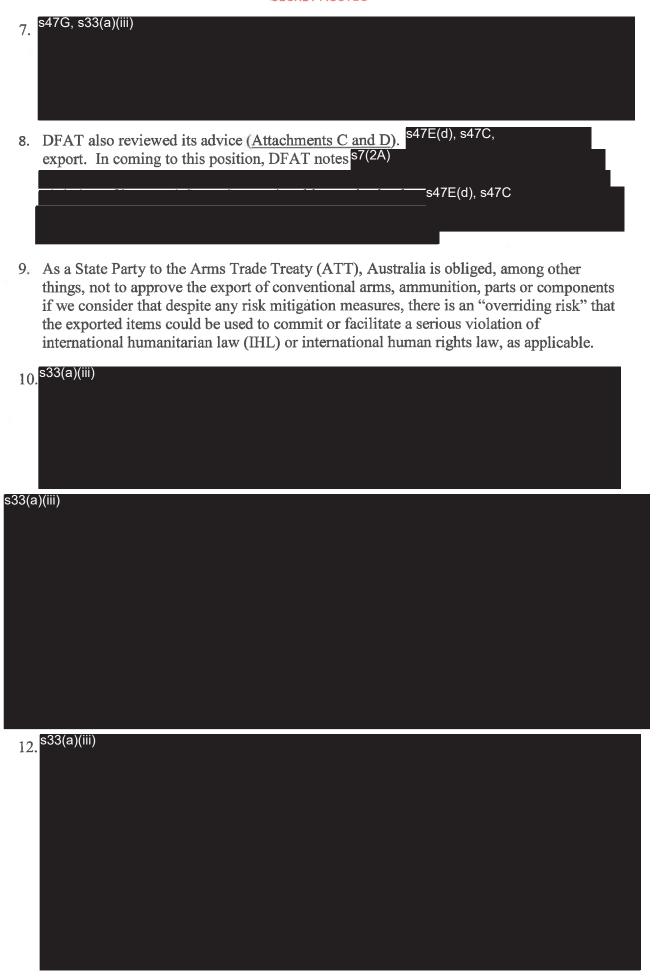
Note: Why is this brief only provided to me one day before the asserted 'critical date'? s47G

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2.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
3.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
4.	Defence's previous advice to you was that the risks surrounding this export were acceptable. Noting the time lapse between when Defence's original assessment was undertaken (mid 2017) and s47G, s33(a)(iii) Defence determined it was prudent to undertake a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. The re-assessment of the application has included updated inputs from International Policy Division (IPDIV), s7(2A) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).
5.	s47G, s33(a)(iii)
	ey Considerations
6.	s7(2A)



13 <sup>s33(a)(iii)</sup>
14.s33(a)(iii)
15. s33(a)(iii)
16. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation, should any \$33(a)(iii)  Defence would provide you with advice about using your powers to revoke the permit.
Next Steps
17. s33(a)(iii)
18. Defence intends to finalise s47G and approve the export permit. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Cleared by

Mr Scott Dewar Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and

Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

21 May 2018

Contact officer: Ms Christina Mathewson

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)	



### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

### **Summary of Attachments:**

- A MS17-900593 Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)
- B = s7(2A) 21 May 2018
- C DFAT advice 15 June 2017
- D DFAT updated advice (at Department of Defence request) dated 17 April 2018

### **Background:**





Defence notes that this is a commercial matter. The company's financial situation is not a consideration in the export approval process. No undertaking has been made to the company that the approval will be issued by 23 May.

### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900593 – Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

MS18-900633 – Proposed Exports of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

### Consultation:

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), \$7(2A) IPDIV

(Mr Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).



**Australian Government** 

**Department of Defence** 

PDR: MS17-900593

Ref: FASSP(S)/OUT/2017/39



Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry — For information Through: DEPSEC SP&I and A/Secret Copies to: CDF, FASIP 57(2A) HLC (Army), HLS (CASG)

Recommendations:

Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 23 August 2017

Reason: Response to Applicant

Noted / Please discuss

2. Note that, subject to your consideration, Defence will finalise the assessment and approval of the permits for the \$47G, \$33(a) s47G, s33(a)(iii)

1. That you note the information in this brief, including advice

from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Noted) Please discuss

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Minister for Defence

Date 25/08/2017

**Key Points:** 

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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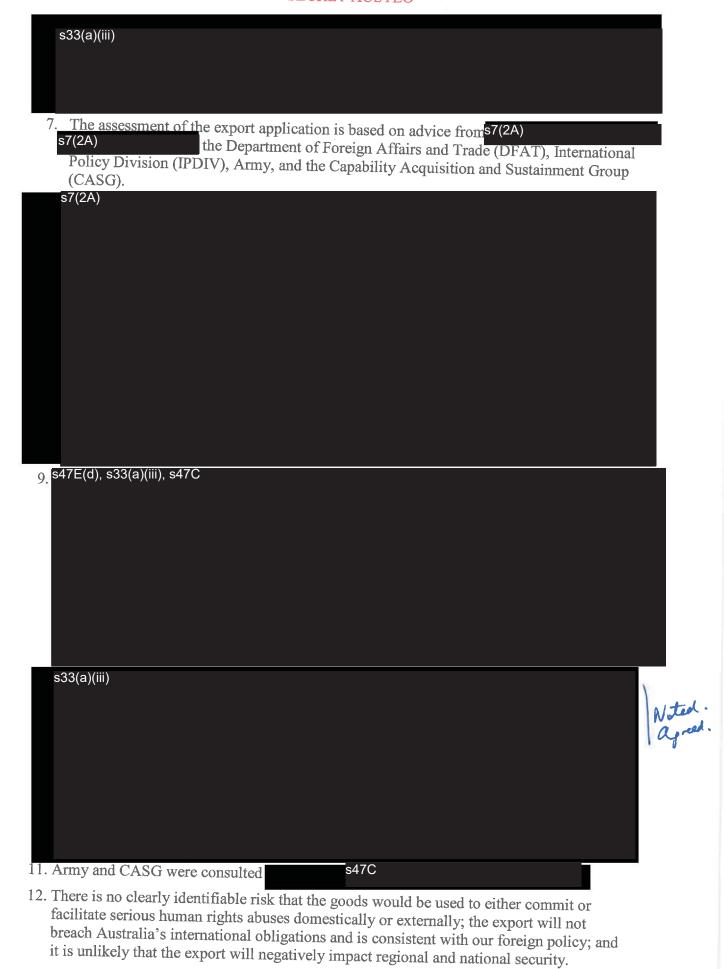
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13. s33(a)(iii)

Defence will approve this export.

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Mr Tom Hamilton
First Assistant Secretary

First Assistant Secretary Strategic Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group

Telephone: 02 6265 1883

T August 2017

Contact officer: Mr Damien Chifley Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422



**Financial Impacts:** 

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

**Summary of Attachments:** 

A = s47G

B - s7(2A)

dated 5 May 2017 (provided to action

addressees only).

C – Advice from DFAT, dated 15 June 2017.

D - Advice from DFAT, dated 23 June 2017.

E – Talking points: Australian defence export controls.

**Background:** 

## Background:

Advice regarding the export	
Advice regarding the export s7(2A)	
15.s47E(d), s47C,	
15.	

s7(2A)
16. International Policy Division was consulted s47C s33(a)(iii)
17. s7(2A)  Army and CASG were consulted. s47C
Previous arms control regime denials
18. This proposed export is controlled under the provisions of the Wassenaar Arrangement, which controls select conventional weapons and dual-use technologies.
19. There are no relevant denials 33(a)(iii) Wassenaar Arrangement member countries.
Assessment of the export
20. Defence has assessed the export against the five criteria:
<ul> <li>a. International Obligations – The export will not breach Australia's commitments under arms control regimes and treaties. There are no relevant regime denials and s47E(d), s47C</li> <li>b. Human Rights – There is no clearly identifiable risk that the goods will be used in human rights violations. s33(a)(iii)</li> </ul>
c. National Security –s47G s47G, s7(2A)
s47C d. Regional Security – s33(a)(iii)  Army and CASG have advised that they s33(a)(iii)
e. Foreign Policy –As there is a low risk of the goods being used in a manner that is inconsistent with Australian interests s33(a)(iii)
21. Noting the assessment in paragraph 20, Defence intends to approve this export, subject to \$33(a)(iii)

### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900592 - Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

MS17-900563 - Sensitive and complex defence export applications

MS17-900580 – Proposed Exports of Military Goods to \$33(a)(iii)

and s22

S7(2A)

IPDIV (A/FAS International Policy Division,

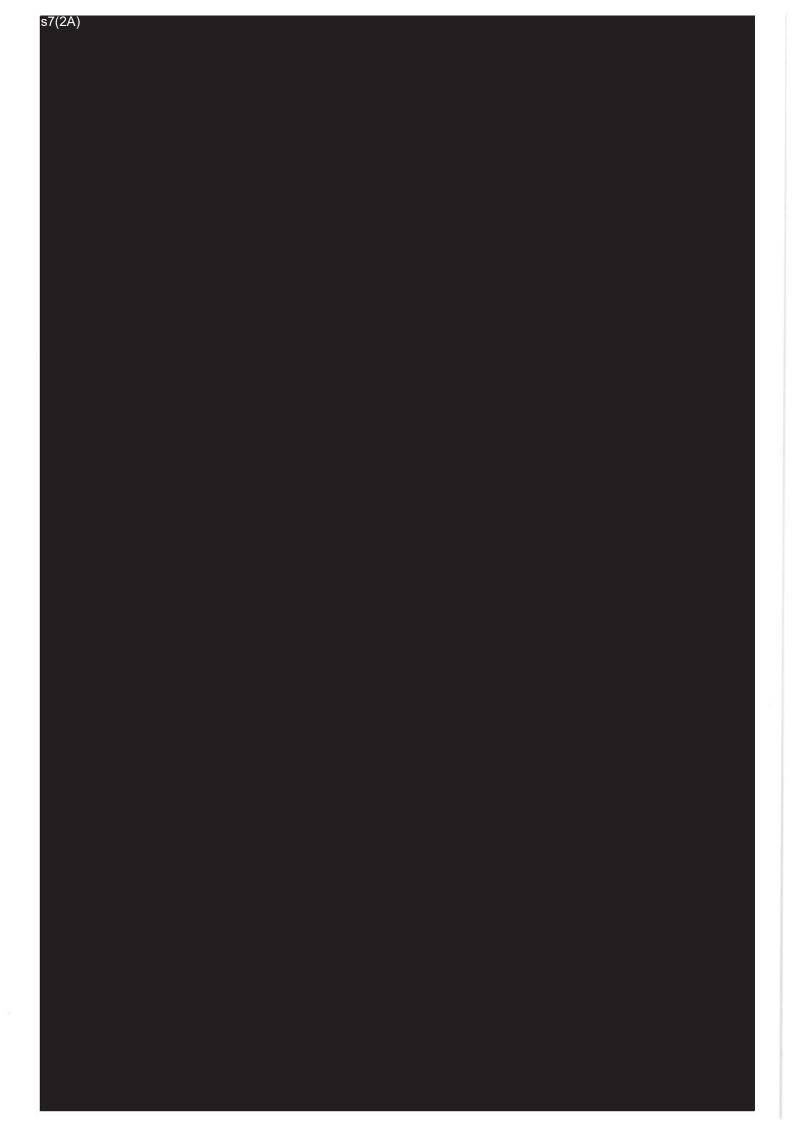
CDRE Stephen Woodall), CASG (Head Land Systems Division, MAJGEN David Coghlan), Army (Head Land Capability, MAJGEN Kathryn Toohey) and DFAT (FAS International Security Division, Richard Sadleir) were consulted in the development of this advice.













### **Australian Government**

### Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

/5 June 2017

Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence Russell Offices CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson

s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s7(2A), s47E(d)				

s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s7(2A), s47E(d)		
5470, 555(a)(iii), 5470, 57(ZA), 547E(u)		

s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)

Yours sincerely

s22

Robert McKinnon Acting First Assistant Secretary International Security Division



### **Australian Government**

### Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

17 April 2018

Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Control Department of Defence CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson



s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)

Yours sincerely

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Rob McKinnon National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch International Security Division

PDR: MS18-900733

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Department of Defence

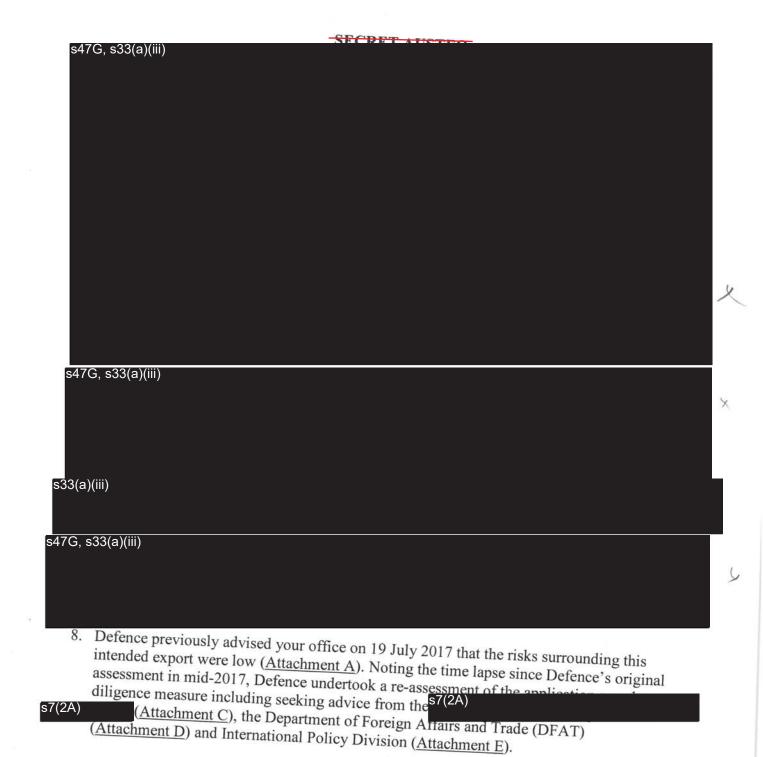
Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: Secretary
Copies to: Associate Secretary, CDF, FASIP, \$7(2A)

(2A) FASMECC

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 8 June 2018 s47G, s33(a)(iii) Recommendations: 1. That you note that on 19 July 2017, Defence advised you of the Department's intent to approve a permit for 547G, \$33(a)(iii) s47G, s33(a)(iii) lease discuss 2. That you note that prior to the permit's expiry s47G, s33(a) s47G, s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 3. That you note that following the expiry of the permit s47G Noted / Please discuss 4. That you note that due to the time lapse since the original assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a Noted / Please discuss re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure 5.s7(2A) Noted / Please discuss s47C, s47E(d) Noted / Please discuss s33( Noted / Please discuss 8. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application. Noted / Please discuss Minister for Defence..... Date **Proposed Export:** s47G, s33(a)(iii)



## **Key Considerations**

9. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law or international human rights law, as applicable.

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s7(2A)	
s7(2A), s33(a)(iii)	
D. International Programmes	
12. International Policy Division confirmed that the proposed export would not have a other relationships with SKK(a)(iii)	
detrimental impact on Australia's defence relationships with s33(a)(iii)	
S47C	
Risk Mitigations	
s33(a)(iii)	
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s47G, s33(a)(iii)	
Next Steps: tweet	
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16. Defence will continue assess the application for the s33(a)(iii) separately; however, Defence intends to approve the If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

..... Mr Scott Dewar

Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and

Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

June 2018

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson

Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

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Sensitivity:

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s47C

Sensitivity: s47C

### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

Summary of Attachments:

A - Email 'FW: Export Permit Application -

B - MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications - 6 of 2018

s7(2A)

provided 5 April 2018 D - DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

E - International Policy Division advice provided 6 April 2018

Background:

s47G

### Related Briefs:

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

### Consultation:

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch. International Security Division), \$7(2A)

International Policy Division (Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).

### Capel, Sophie Ms

From:

Fenotti, Mark MR

Sent:

Thursday, 20 July 2017 2:32 PM

To:

Lugton, Samantha MISS

Subject:

FW: Export Application - s47G [SEC-SECRET, CAVEAT-RI:AUSTEO]

Can you please file on DSN objective.

From: Varjavandi, Faz MR

Sent: Wednesday, 19 July 2017 2:29 PM

To: Chifley, Damien MR

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Russell-Farnham, Sarah MS; Holmback-Piggott, Louanne MS; Hamilton, Tom MR

Subject: RE: Export Application - s47G [SEC-SECRET, CAVEAT-RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Damien,

apologies for the delay in responding.

### s47E(d)

Regards, Faz

From: Chifley, Damien MR

Sent: Friday, 14 July 2017 11:39 AM

To: Varjavandi, Faz MR

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Russell-Farnham, Sarah MS; Holmback-Piggott, Louanne MS; Hamilton, Tom MR

Subject: Export Application - s47G [SEC-SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Faz,

This is the third of the applications I mentioned.

DEC has received an urgent request from an applicant that we are seeking agreement to finalise outside of the Omnibus MINSUB process.

This request has been assessed as low risk and DEC supports its approval.

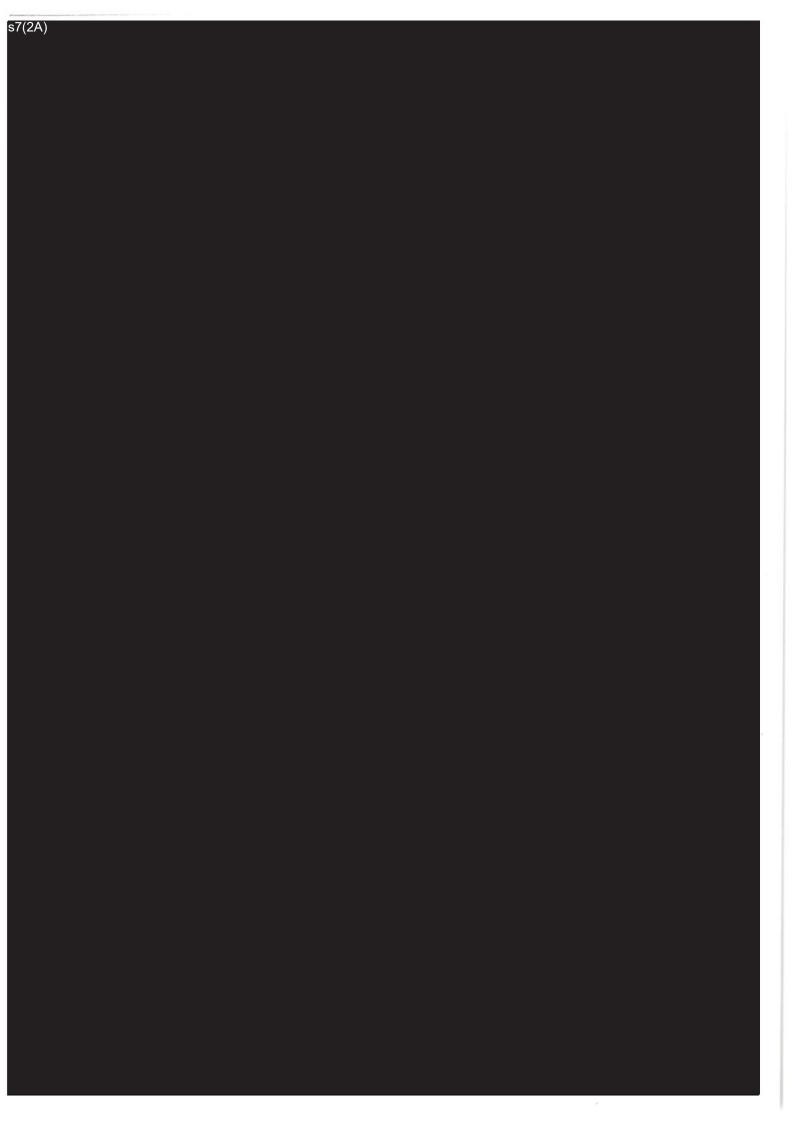


Happy to discuss.

Damien

Damien Chifley A/Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

R1-1-A108 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600 Phone: 02 626 56422 Mobile: \$22











# Australian Government

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

18 May 2018

Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Exports Control Department of Defence CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson



s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s7(2A), s47E(d)

Yours sincerely

Kob McKinnon Assistant Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch

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# Capel, Sophie Ms

From:

Sent: To:	Friday, 6 April 2018 8:03 PM Capel, Sophie Ms; IPDIV-GI MEOP
Cc:	DIP DEC DEAR; Robinson, Stephen Mr 10
Subject:	REs47G - Request for IP Advice - s47G, s33(a)(iii)
	[SEC=CONFIDENTIAL, CAVEAT=RI:AGAO]
Hi Sophie,	
	e export will not have a detrimental impact on s47C, s47E(d) ons, or any other relevant countries.
Best regards,	
Daniel Creech – Acting Director Global Interests Branch	Middle East, United Nations, Africa & Peacekeeping
International Policy Division Department of Defence Phone: +61 2 6265 6442 Location: R1-5-C076, Russell Off Postal Address: PO Box 7902 Ca Email: daniel.creech@defence.go	nberra BC ACT 2610
From: Capel, Sophie Ms Sent: Thursday, 29 March 2018 : To: IPDIV-GI MEOP Cc: DIP DEC DEAR; Robinson, St. Subject: s47G  1 - Request [SEC=CONFIDENTIAL, CAVEAT=1]	ephen Mr 10 for IP Advice - s47G, s33(a)(iii)
Good afternoon,	
s47G, s33(a)(iii)	
S E	
The complete list of goods to be e	exported is <u>attached</u> .
s47G, s33(a)(iii)	
DEC would appreciate urgent IP D	iv advice on whether the approval of this export would cause a detrimental impact
<u>on</u> s47E(d)	with any of these destinations, or any other relevant countries that this export
may have an impact on.	

Creech, Daniel Mr

DEC would be grateful for a response by 6 April 2018. If possible, we would appreciate a response in relation to s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Please note that I am on leave next week, returning 11 April. If you have any questions during that time, please contact Stephen Robinson (cc'd).

Regards,

# Sophie Capel

Risk Assessor

Defence Export Assessments and Regimes | Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

R1-3-A015 | Russell Offices | PO Box 7901 | Canberra BC | ACT 2610 P: +61 2 6265 3536 | M: \$22

For general enquires and assistance please contact DEC on 1800 66 10 66, email <a href="mailto:exportcontrols@defence.gov.au">exportcontrols@defence.gov.au</a> or find us on the web at <a href="mailto:exportcontrols">exportcontrols</a> | Defence Export Controls – Enabling Responsible Exports



PDR: MS18-900733

# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence - For action Minister for Defence Industry - For information

Through: Secretary

Copies to: Associate Secretary, CDF, FASIP, \$7(2A) FASMECC

Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii) s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 8 June 2018

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1, s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Recommendations: 1. That you note that on 19 July 2017, Defence advised you of the Department's intent to approve a permit for \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 2. That you note that prior to the permit's expiry, \$476, Noted / Please discuss approved under the permit. 3. That you note that following the expiry of the permit s47G, s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss previously approved for export. 4. That you note that due to the time lapse since the original assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a Noted / Please discuss re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. 5. s7(2A) Noted / Please discuss s47C, s47E(d) Noted / Please discuss s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 8. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application. Noted / Please discuss Minister for Defence..... Date **Proposed Export:** 

6. Defence previously advised your office on 19 July 2017 that the risk surrounding this intended export were low (Attachment A). Noting the time lapse since Defence's original assessment in mid-2017, Defence undertook a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure including seeking advice from the \$7(2A)

(Attachment C), the Department of Foreign Afrairs and Trade (DFAT) (Attachment D) and International Policy Division (Attachment E).

## **Key Considerations**

7. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be sued to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law arms or international human rights law, as applicable.



s7(2	A), s33(a)(iii)	
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10	. International Policy Division confirmed that the proposed export would not have a detrimental impact on Australia's Defence relationships with any other relevant country (Attachment E).	
s33(	a)(iii)	
33(a)(i	ii)	
13.	Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation, should any (3(a)(iii)	
	with advice about using your powers to revoke the permit, \$33(a)(iii)	
	s33(a)(iii)	
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s33(a)(iii)

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s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Mr Scott Dewar

Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and

Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

June 2018

Contact officer: Mr Stuart Spence

Acting Assistant Secretary Defence Export

Controls

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

s33(a)(iii)

Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)

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s33(a)(iii)

# Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.



s47G

**Summary of Attachments:** 

A – Email 'FW: Export Permit Application dated 19 July 2017
B – MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Detence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

s7(2A) rovided 5 April 2018
D – DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

E – International Policy Division advice provided 6 April 2018

Background:

s47G

**Related Briefs:** 

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

Consultation:

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch International Security Division), \$7(2A), International Policy Division (Stephen Woore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).



PDR: MS18-900733

# MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: Secretary

Copies to: Associate Secretary, CDF, FASIP, \$7(2A), FASMECC

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Proposed Export of s47	G, s33(a)(iii)	
Critical Date: 8 June 201	8 s47G	<u>-</u>
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Recommendations:		<sub>12</sub> April .
-	9 July 2017, Defence advised you of the approve a permit for s47G, s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss
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That you note Defence	intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss
Mi	nister for Defence	Date / /
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(Attachment C) and the Department of

from the s7(2A)

Foreign Arrans and Trade (DFAT) (Attachment D).

spell out authorities? SECRET AUSTEO adviced that they do Key Considerations , On this matter, s/(2A) related to s7(2A) IP advisely 8. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be sued to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law (IHL) or international human rights law, as applicable. s33(a)(iii) 11. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation, should any s33(a)(iii) , Defence would provide you with advice about using your powers to revoke the permit. 12. s33(a)(iii) nove to next page ( 3

# **Next Steps:**

13. s33(a)(iii)

14. Defence intends to finalise \$47G and approve the export permit. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Mr Scott Dewar

Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and

Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

June 2018

Contact officer: Mr Stuart Spence

Acting Assistant Secretary Defence Export

Controls

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

# Sensitivity:



s47G		

# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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**Summary of Attachments:** 

A - Email 'FW: Export Permit Application s47G

B - MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications - 6 of 2018

s7(2A) 5 April 2018

D - DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

Background:

s47G

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

## Consultation:

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), \$7(2A)

s7(2A)

International Policy Division (Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).

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#### SECRET AUSTEO

# PDR: MS18-900733

# **Australian Government**

## MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence - For action

Minister for Defence Industry – For information \$22 \a\\\. Through: Secretary

Copies to: CDF, ASSOC SEC, FASIP, \$7(2A), FASDIP, ASDEC, FASMECC



PROPOSED EXPORT s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 22 June 2018	s47G	
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Re	commendations:			
1.	That you note that on 19 July 2017, Defence advised your office of the Department's intent to \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss		
2.	That you note that prior to the permit's expiry, \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss		
3.	That you note that following the expiry of the permit, s47G, s33(a)(iii)  previously approved for export.	Noted / Please discuss		
4.	That you note that due to the time elapsed since the original assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure.	Noted / Please discuss		
5.	s7(2A)	Noted / Please discuss		
6.	s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)	Noted / Please discuss		
7.	s33(a)(iii)	Noted / Please discuss		
8.	That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss		
	Minister for Defence			

**Proposed Export:** 1. s47G, s33(a)(iii) 2. s47G, s33(a)(iii) 3. s47G, s33(a)(iii) Due to the time elapsed since the previous assessments were undertaken, Defence undertook a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. 4. s33(a)(iii) 5. s33(a)(iii) 6. s47G, s33(a)(iii) 7. s33(a)(iii)

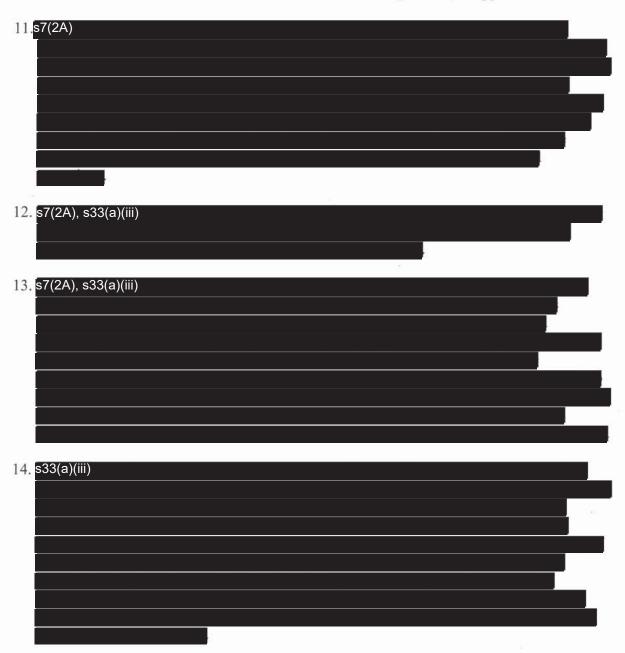
8. s47G, s33(a)(iii)

9. Defence's assessment has included consultation with s7(2A)

(Attachment C) and advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) (Attachment D) and International Policy Division (IP DIV).

## **Key Considerations**

10. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law or international human rights law, as applicable.



15. IP DIV confirmed that the proposed export would not have a detrimental impact on s47C, s47E(d) with s33(a)(iii) or any other relevant country.

16. s33(a)(iii)
s33(a)(iii)
20. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation 1958, should any s33(a)(iii)  with advice about using your powers to revoke this permit and s47G, s33(a)(iii)
Next Steps:
21. s47G, s33(a)(iii)

22. Defence intends to approve the application. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Cleared by
Mr Scott Dewar
Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy
and Intelligence
Telephone: 02 6265 2636
13 June 2018

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

# Sensitivity:





# **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

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# **Summary of Attachments:**

- A Email 'FW: Export Permit Application \$47G dated 19 July 2017
- B MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications 6 of 2018
- C s7(2A) 5 April 2018
- D DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018 MS18-900671 s22, s33(a)(iii)

#### Consultation:

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division),

#### s7(2A)

International Policy Division (Linda McCann, Acting Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division).

# **Australian Government**

#### **SECRET AUSTEO**

PDR: MS18-900733

# **MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION**

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence - For action Minister for Defence Industry - For information Through: **Secretary** 

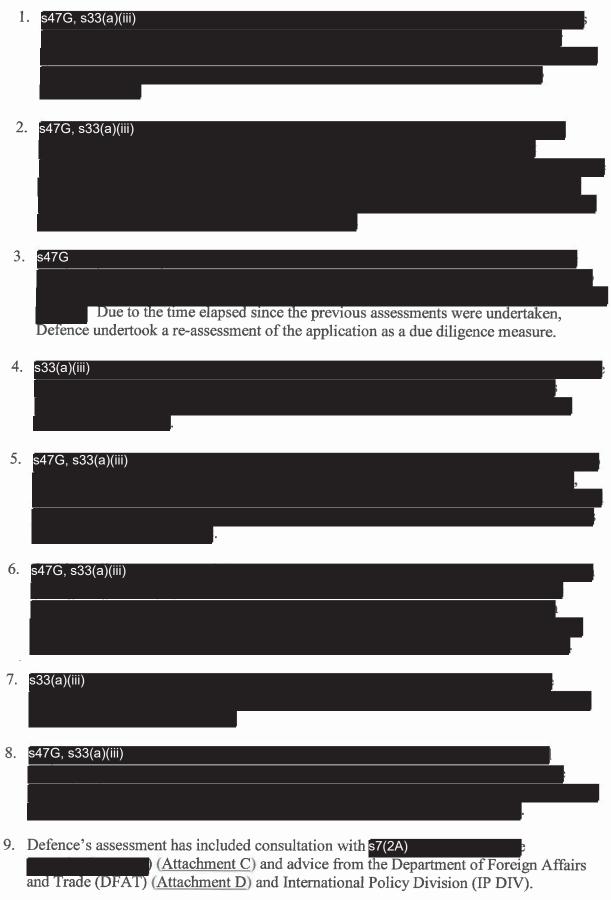
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# PROPOSED EXPORT OF s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Cı	ritical Date: 22 June 2018 s47G	
Re	commendations:	
1.	That you note that on 19 July 2017, Defence advised your office of the Department's intent to \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)	Noted/ Please discuss
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7.	s33(a)(iii)	Notedy Please discuss
8.	That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss
	Minister for Defence	Date 27/06/2018

# **Proposed Export:**



## **Key Considerations**

10. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law or international human rights law, as applicable.



15. IP DIV confirmed that the proposed export would not have a detrimental impact on s47C, s47E(d) with s33(a)(iii) or any other relevant country.

16	5. s33(a)(iii)
s33(a)(iii	)
	Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation 1958, should any s33(a)(iii), Defence would provide you
9	with advice about using your powers to revoke this permit s47G, s33(a)(iii)
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22. Defence intends to approve the application. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Cleared by
Mr Scott Dewar
Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy
and Intelligence

13 June 2018

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

Sensitivity:

s33(a)(iii)	

s47G, s33(a)(iii)

## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

# **Summary of Attachments:**

- A Email 'FW: Export Permit Application \$47G and 'dated 19 July 2017
- B MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications 6 of 2018
- C s7(2A) 5 April 2018
- D DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018 s33(a)(iii)

#### Consultation:

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division),

International Policy Division (Linda McCann, Acting Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division).

# Capel, Sophie Ms

**From:** Fenotti, Mark MR

**Sent:** Thursday, 20 July 2017 2:32 PM

**To:** Lugton, Samantha MISS

Subject: FW: Export Application - \$47G [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

#### Can you please file on DSN objective.

From: Varjavandi, Faz MR

Sent: Wednesday, 19 July 2017 2:29 PM

To: Chifley, Damien MR

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Russell-Farnham, Sarah MS; Holmback-Piggott, Louanne MS; Hamilton, Tom MR

**Subject:** RE: Export Application - s47G [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Damien,

apologies for the delay in responding.

#### s47E(d)

#### Regards, Faz

From: Chifley, Damien MR

Sent: Friday, 14 July 2017 11:39 AM

To: Varjavandi, Faz MR

Cc: Fenotti, Mark MR; Russell-Farnham, Sarah MS; Holmback-Piggott, Louanne MS; Hamilton, Tom MR

**Subject:** Export Application - s47G [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Hi Faz,

This is the third of the applications I mentioned.

DEC has received an urgent request from an applicant that we are seeking agreement to finalise outside of the Omnibus MINSUB process.

This request has been assessed as low risk and DEC supports its approval.





This export is low risk in relation to the five policy criteria of international obligations, human rights, foreign policy, national security and regional security.

# s47G

Happy to discuss.

Damien

Damien Chifley A/Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

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R1-1-A108 Russell Offices Russell ACT 2600 Phone: <u>02 626 56422</u>

Mobile: s22











# Australian Government

# Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

18 May 2018

Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Exports Control Department of Defence CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Mathewson



s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s7(2A), s47E(d)				
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Rob McKinnon Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch



PDR: MS18-900733

## **MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION**

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence – For action
Minister for Defence Industry – For information
Through: Secretary

Copies to: CDF, Associate Secretary, FASIP 57(2A), FASMECC

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Critical Date: 8 June 2018

Recommendations:

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8.	That you note Defence intends to finalise this application.	Noted / Please discuss
	Minister for Defence	Date / /

## **Proposed Export:**

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	Due to the time lapse since the previous assessments were undertaken, Defence undertook a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure.
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8.	Defence previously advised your office on 19 July 2017 that the risks surrounding this intended export were low ( <u>Attachment A</u> ). Noting the time lapse since Defence's original assessment in mid-2017, Defence undertook a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure including seeking <u>further</u> advice from <u>\$7(2A)</u> ( <u>Attachment C</u> ), the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) (Attachment D) and International Policy Division (Attachment E).

## **Key Considerations**

9. As a State Party to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), Australia is obliged, among other things, not to approve the export of conventional arms, ammunition, parts or components if we consider that despite any risk mitigation measures, there is an "overriding risk" that the exported items could be used to commit or facilitate a serious violation of international humanitarian law or international human rights law, as applicable.

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## **Next Steps:**

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Mr Scott Dewar

convenience.

Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and

Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

June 2018

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson

Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## **Sensitivity:**





## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

## **Summary of Attachments:**

A – Email 'FW: Export Permit Application – s47G dated 19 July 2017

B – MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

C – **s7(2A)** 5 April 2018

D – DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

E – International Policy Division advice provided 6 April 2018

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

## **Consultation:**

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), [7(2A)]

International Policy

Division (Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).



PDR: MS18-900733

## **MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION**

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence – For action

Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: Secretary

Copies to: CDF, Associate Secretary, FASIP, \$7(2, FASMECC

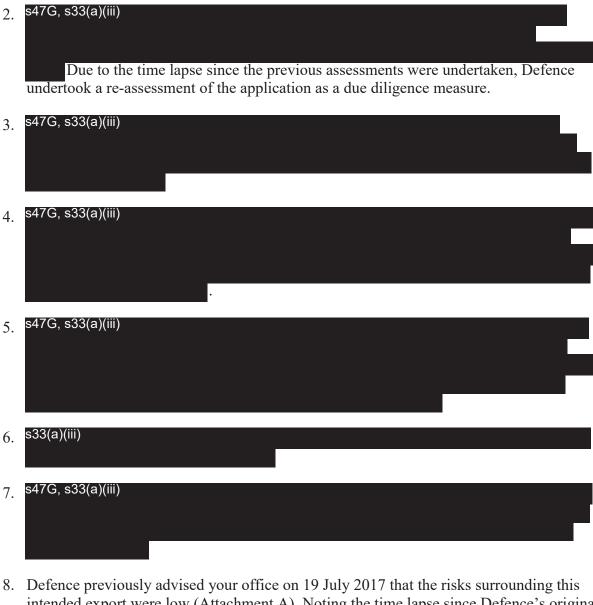
Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 8 June 2018

Re	ecommendations:	
1.	That you note that on 19 July 2017, Defence advised your office of the Department's intent to approve a permit for \$47G, \$33(a)	Noted / Please discuss
2.	That you note that prior to the permit's expiry, \$47G, approved under the permit.	Noted / Please discuss
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	Minister for Defence	Date / /

## **Proposed Export:**





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(<u>Attachment C</u>), the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

(DFAT) (Attachment D) and International Policy Division (Attachment E).

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16. Under Regulation 13E of the Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulation, should any s33(a)(iii)

with advice about using your powers to revoke this permit s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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## **Next Steps:**

17. s33(a)(iii)

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however, Defence intends to approve the application to export s33(a)(iii)

If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

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Mr Scott Dewar

Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and

Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

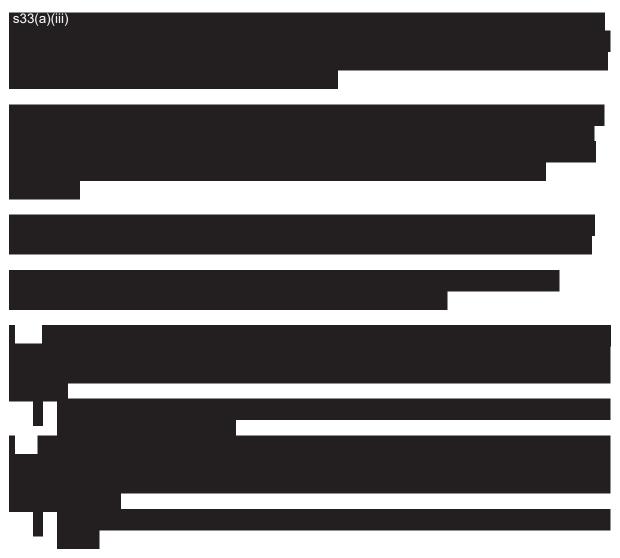
June 2018

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson

Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## **Sensitivity:**





## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

## **Summary of Attachments:**

- A Email 'FW: Export Permit Application s47G dated 19 July 2017
- B MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications 6 of 2018
- C \$7(2A) 5 April 2018
- D DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018
- E International Policy Division advice provided 6 April 2018

## **Related Briefs:**

s22, s33(a)(iii)

## **Consultation:**

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division),

International Policy
Division (Stephen Moore, Acting First Assistant Secretary International Policy Division).



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## MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

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## COMPLEX OR SENSITIVE DEFENCE EXPORT APPLICATIONS 11 OF 2018

Critical Date: 22 June 2018 **Reason:** These cases have exceeded the 35 day target for processing complex applications

#### Recommendation:

1. That you note that Defence intends to finalise three complex or sensitive export applications.

Noted / Please discuss

Minister for Defence...... Date

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## **Key Points:**

1. On 25 August 2017 you noted the s47E(d)

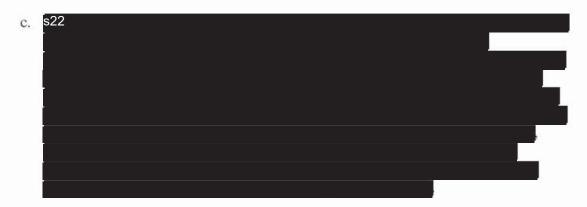
of complex or sensitive export applications (MS17-900558 refers).

2. Defence has assessed three cases that meet the s47E(d)





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- These applications have been assessed against the export legislative criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy.
- 4. Defence intends to finalise these assessments and approve these cases. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Cleared by
Dr Sheridan Kearnan
First Assistant Secretary
Defence Industry Policy
Telephone: 02 6265 7195
13 June 2018

Contact officer: Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## Sensitivity:

Yes. Three export applications have exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

## Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts.

## **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – s47E(d)	
MS18-000008 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 1 of 2	2018
MS18-900010 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 2 of 2	2018
MS18-900136 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 3 of 2	2018
MS18-900191 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 4 of 2	
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MS18-900373 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 6 of 2	
MS18-900475 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 7 of 2	
MS18-900531 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 8 of 2	2018
MS18-900556 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 9 of 2	
MS18-900672 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 10 of	2018

## Consultation:

Yes. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with \$7(2A)

IP DIV (Major Powers Branch, Pacific and Timor-Leste Branch and Global Interests Branch) DFAT (Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division).

From: <u>Capel, Sophie Ms</u>
To: <u>DEPSEC SP&I Office</u>

Subject: MS18-900740 (Omnibus 11 of 2018) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

 Date:
 Tuesday, 12 June 2018 12:55:00 PM

 Attachments:
 MS18-900740 Omnibus 11 of 2018.pdf

Good afternoon,

Find **attached** a copy of MS18-900740 (Omnibus 11 of 2018). A hard copy was provided to the office this morning.

Regards,

## **Sophie Capel**

Risk Assessor

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## PDR: MS18-900740

## FASDIPOUT/2018/O1532988

## MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

**Department of Defence** 

Minister for Defence - For action **Minister for Defence Industry – For information** 

Through: DEPSEC SP&I

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, ASSOC SEC, FASIP, \$7(2A), ASDEC, FASMECC

## Complex or sensitive defence export applications 11 of 2018

Critical Date: 22 June 2018	<b>Reason:</b> These cases have exceeded the 35 day target for
	processing complex applications

#### **Recommendation:**

1. That you note that Defence intends to finalise three complex or sensitive export applications.

Noted / Please discuss

## **Key Points:**

- 1. On 25 August 2017 you noted the proposed guidelines for Defence to provide you with of complex or sensitive export applications (MS17-900558 refers).
- 2. Defence has assessed three cases that meet the \$47E(d)







- 3. These applications have been assessed against the export legislative criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy.
- 4. Defence intends to finalise these assessments and approve these cases. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Dr Sheridan Kearnan Contact officer: Tina Mathewson

Dr Sheridan Kearnan First Assistant Secretary Defence Industry Policy Telephone: 02 6265 7195

**June 2018** 

Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## **Sensitivity:**

Yes. Three export applications have exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts.

## **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – s47E(d)	
MS18-000008 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 1 of 2018	
MS18-900010 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 2 of 2018	
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MS18-900556 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 9 of 2018	
MS18-900672 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 10 of 2018	8

## **Consultation:**

Yes. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with \$7(2A)

, IP DIV (Major Powers

Branch, Pacific and Timor-Leste Branch and Global Interests Branch) DFAT (Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division).



PDR: MS18-900740

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## MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

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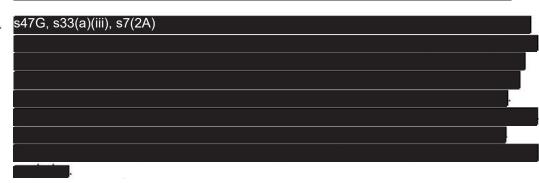
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Dr Sheridan Kearnan
First Assistant Secretary
Defence Industry Policy
Telephone: 02 6265 7195

June 2018

Contact officer: Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## Sensitivity:

Yes. Three export applications have exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

## Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts.

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – s47E(d)
MS18-000008 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 1 of 2018
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## Consultation:

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Branch, Pacific and Timor-Leste Branch and Global Interests Branch) DFAT (Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division).

## Spence, Stuart Mr

From: Nixon, Lyndal J < Lyndal.Nixon@dfathigh.dfat.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 5 July 2018 2:53 PM

To: Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle Mrs 2; s22 Hosking, Steve Mr; Mckinnon,

Robert Mr (DFAT); s22

Subject: RE: MS18-900891 | Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Clearance request [SEC=SECRET]

#### **SECRET**

#### Hi Sophie

Please see the below comments from Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division.

## s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)

Regards,

Lyndal

#### **Lyndal Nixon**

(Defence secondee) Assistant Director | Conventional Weapons and Defence National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch | International Security Division Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: S22

Sent: Thursday, 5 July 2018 9:32 AM

To: \$22

Cc: Nixon, Lyndal J < Lyndal. Nixon@dfathigh.dfat.gov.au >; \$22

Subject: FW: MS18-900891 | Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Clearance request [SEC=SECRET]

#### **SECRET**

From: Capel, Sophie Ms <sophie.capel@defence.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 4 July 2018 5:19 PM

To: \$22

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle Mrs 2 < michelle.maclachlan2@defence.gov.au>; \$22

Subject: MS18-900891 | s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Clearance

request [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Good afternoon,

Defence Export Controls (DEC) recently consulted with DFAT on the in-principle export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

The export is now the subject of a ministerial submission (see attached MS18-900891), with DFAT's advice included (see Attachment C - DFAT advice dated 21 May 2018). Please review the attached submission and confirm that DEC has suitably represented DFAT's position on this export.

DEC is seeking clearance at the 1 star equivalent or above.

We would greatly appreciate clearance NLT 1200 Thursday 5 July. I acknowledge this is a tight timeline; however, we need to provide the submission up to the Minister urgently in order to notify the exporter as soon as possible of the outcome of our assessment.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further.

Kind regards,

## **Sophie Capel**

Risk Assessor

Defence Export Assessments and Regimes | Defence Export Controls Department of Defence

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For general enquires and assistance please contact DEC on 1800 66 10 66, email exportcontrols@defence.gov.au or find us on the web at <u>www.defence.gov.au/exportcontrols</u> | Defence Export Controls – Enabling Responsible Exports



PDR: MS18-900733

## MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

Department of Defence

Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

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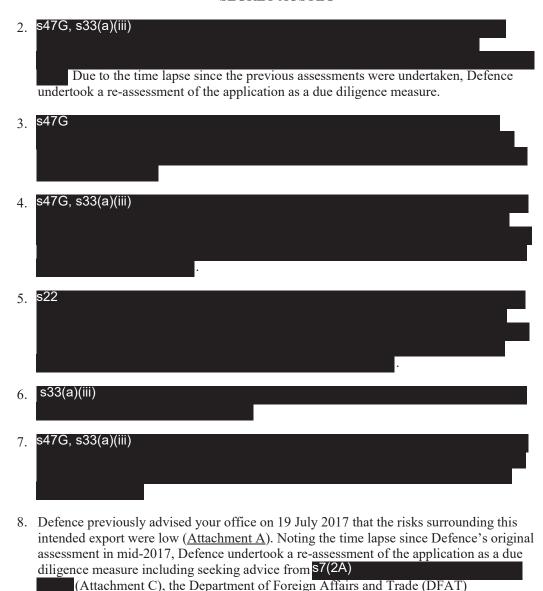
Proposed Export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Critical Date: 8 June 2018 s47G

## **Recommendations:** 1. That you note that on 19 July 2017, Defence advised your office of the Department's intent to approve a permit for \$47G, \$33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 2. That you note that prior to the permit's expiry, \$47G Noted / Please discuss approved under the permit. 3. That you note that following the expiry of the permit, Noted / Please discuss s47G previously approved for export. 4. That you note that due to the time lapse since the original Noted / Please discuss assessment was undertaken, Defence has undertaken a re-assessment of the application as a due diligence measure. 5. s7(2A) Noted / Please discuss 6. s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d) Noted / Please discuss 7. s33(a)(iii) Noted / Please discuss 8. That you note Defence intends to finalise this application. Noted / Please discuss

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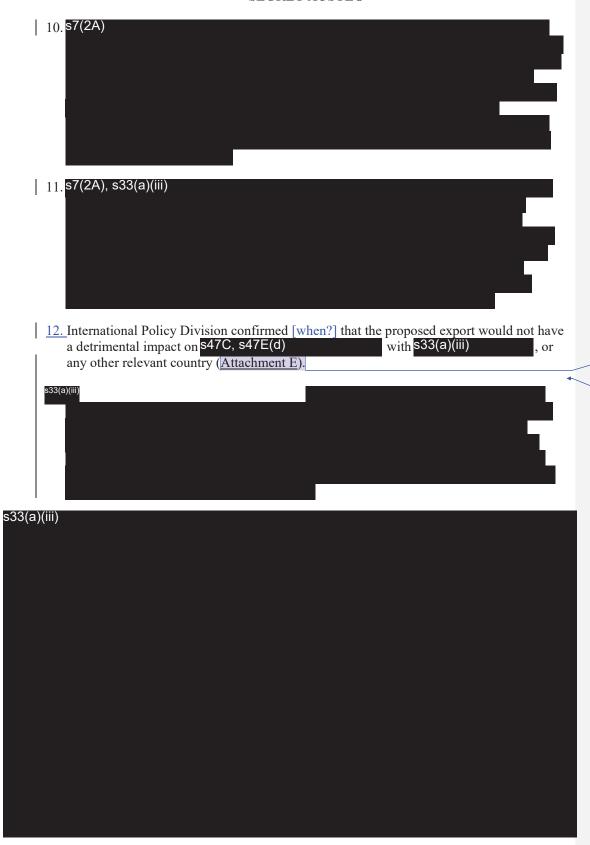
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## **Key Considerations**

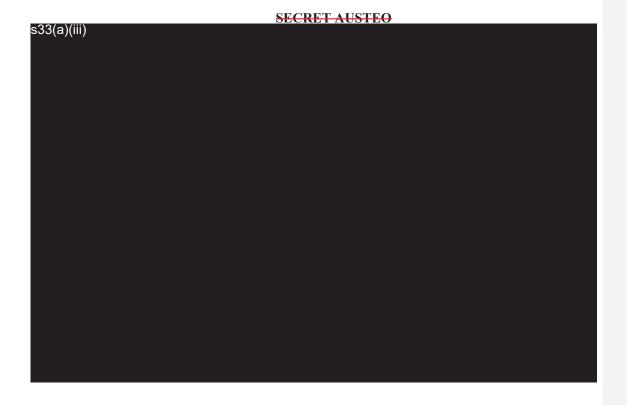
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(Attachment D) and International Policy Division (Attachment E).



Comment [IW1]: Please could we so this?

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Mr Scott Dewar Acting Deputy Secretary Strategic Policy and Intelligence

Telephone: 02 6265 2636

June 2018

Contact officer: Ms Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## **Sensitivity:**



Comment [HSM2]: Not from a Defe perspective. Perhaps clarify who leads t s33(a)(iii)



## **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts for the Department of Defence.

s47G

## **Summary of Attachments:**

A – Email 'FW: Export Permit Application – \$47G 'dated 19 July 2017

B – MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

C – \$7(2A) 5 April 2018

D – DFAT advice provided 18 May 2018

E – International Policy Division advice provided 6 April 2018

#### **Related Briefs:**

MS18-900373 Complex or Sensitive Defence Export Applications – 6 of 2018

#### **Consultation:**

Yes. This advice has been agreed by DFAT (Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division), [7(2A)], International Policy

Division (Stephen MooreLinda McCann, Acting First Assistant Secretary, Global Interests, International Policy Division).



#### **MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION**

PDR: MS18-900740

FASDIPOUT/2018/O1532988



Minister for Defence – For action Minister for Defence Industry – For information

Through: DEPSEC SP&I

Copies to: Secretary, CDF, ASSOC SEC, FASIP, \$7(2A) ASDEC, FASMECC

# COMPLEX OR SENSITIVE DEFENCE EXPORT APPLICATIONS 11 OF 2018

Critical Date: 22 June 2018 Reason: These cases have exceeded the 35 day target for processing complex applications

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#### Recommendation:

1. That you note that Defence intends to finalise three complex or sensitive export applications.

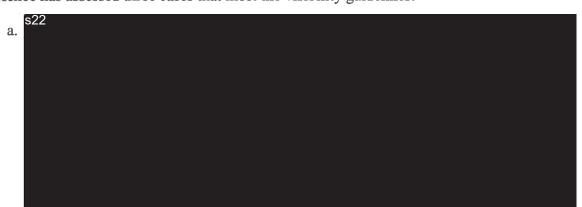
Minister for Defence..

Noted Please discuss

Date 30/06 /2015

## **Key Points:**

- 1. On 25 August 2017 you noted the proposed guidelines for Defence to provide you with s47E(d) of complex or sensitive export applications (MS17-900558 refers).
- 2. Defence has assessed three cases that meet the visibility guidelines:



b. s47G, s33(a)(iii)

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- 3. These applications have been assessed against the export legislative criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy.
- 4. Defence intends to finalise these assessments and approve these cases. If you wish to discuss, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

Cleared by
Dr Sheridan Kearnan
First Assistant Secretary
Defence Industry Policy
Telephone: 02 6265 7195
13 June 2018

Contact officer: Tina Mathewson Contact officer phone: 02 6265 6422

## Sensitivity:

Yes. Three export applications have exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

## Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts.

## **Related Briefs:**

MS17-900558 – Defence Export Controls – S47E(d)
MS18-000008 - Complex or sensitive defence export applications - No. 1 of 2018
MS18-900010 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 2 of 2018
MS18-900136 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 3 of 2018
MS18-900191 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 4 of 2018
MS18-900251 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 5 of 2018
MS18-900373 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 6 of 2018
MS18-900475 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 7 of 2018
MS18-900531 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 8 of 2018
MS18-900556 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 9 of 2018
MS18-900672 – Complex or sensitive defence export applications – No. 10 of 2018

## Consultation:

Yes. The assessment process has been informed by consultation S7(2A)

IP DIV (Major Powers Branch, Pacific and Timor-Leste Branch and Global Interests Branch) DFAT (Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division).

[SEC=SECRET]

## Spence, Stuart Mr

From: Mckinnon, Robert < Robert. Mckinnon@dfathigh.dfat.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 11 May 2018 5:20 PM

Mathewson, Tina Ms; Malekin, Sarah Ms To:

Kearnan, Sheridan Dr; Sadleir, Richard Mr (DFAT) \$22 Cc:

RE: Previous approved MINSUB for export of s47G, s33(a)(iii) DFAT comment - Draft Defence MinSub on s47G, s33(a)(iii) Subject:

**Attachments:** 

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Hello Tina and Sara

Thanks for the opportunity to review and comment on the draft submission.

s47G, s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)

Best regards

Rob

**Robert McKinnon Assistant Secretary** National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch **International Security Division** 

Tel: 6261 2043

From: Malekin, Sarah Ms [mailto:sarah.malekin@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Friday, 11 May 2018 12:16 PM

To: Mckinnon, Robert < Robert. Mckinnon@dfathigh.dfat.gov.au >

Subject: Previous approved MINSUB for export of s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Good afternoon,

As promised, please find attached the previously approved Minsub (MS17-900592) for s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Regards

Sarah

## Sarah Malekin

Risk Assessor Defence Export Assessments & Regimes
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Phone: 6265 1080

From: s22
To: Capel, Sophie Ms

 Cc:
 Mckinnon, Robert Mr (DFAT); \$22
 Nixon, Lyndal (DFAT)

 Subject:
 RE: \$47E(d)
 - DFAT advice re: export of \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)
 [SEC=SEGRET]

**Date:** Monday, 4 June 2018 3:33:41 PM

**Attachments:** MS18-900733.docx

## **SECRET**

#### Dear Sophie

Thank you for your email and the opportunity to consult on the Ministerial Submission.

Please find attached proposed minor changes, cleared by Rob McKinnon, Assistant Secretary, National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch.

Many thanks

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#### **Policy Officer**

Conventional Weapons and Defence National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch International Security Division

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: Capel, Sophie Ms [mailto:sophie.capel@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Monday, 4 June 2018 3:08 PM

To

Subject: s47E(d) - DFAT advice re: export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

[SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Good afternoon s22,

As discussed with Lyndal Nixon, regarding \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

DEC is seeking urgent clearance (Band 1 level or above) on the attached Ministerial Advice. Please confirm consultation details as highlighted in the advice.

Noting the urgent nature of this proposed export, greatly appreciate clearance by 1400 tomorrow 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for additional information.

Kind Regards,

### **Sophie Capel**

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From: s22

Sent: Friday, 18 May 2018 10:09 AM

To: Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: Mathewson, Tina Ms; Mckinnon, Robert Mr (DFAT); \$22

; Hosking, Steve

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Subject: s47E(d)

- DFAT advice re: export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

[SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

### **SECRET RI: AUSTEO**

Dear Sophie

Please find attached DFAT's response to the proposed export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Many thanks

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**Policy Officer** 

Conventional Weapons and Defence
National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch
International Security Division
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: White, Elizabeth Ms 1 To: Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: DIP DEC DEAR; Creech, Daniel Mr; Hitchens, Stephanie Ms; Jackson, Sarah Miss 5 Subject:

RE: DEC request for IP Div input -s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Date: Monday, 29 January 2018 2:18:15 PM

Hi Sophie, my apologies for the delay in responding. Following my discussion with Damien, IP

s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d) s33(a)(iii)

Regards

Liz

From: Capel, Sophie Ms

Sent: Monday, 29 January 2018 1:13 PM

To: White, Elizabeth Ms 1 Cc: DIP DEC DEAR

**Subject:** RE: DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Liz.

I understand that you had a conversation with Damien regarding this application last week.

Are you able to provide me with IP's input via reply email?

I note that the applicant has advised that this case has become very urgent.

Regards,

### **Sophie Capel**

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From: Creech, Daniel Mr

Sent: Tuesday, 23 January 2018 10:08 AM

To: Capel, Sophie Ms Cc: DIP DEC DEAR

**Subject:** RE: DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Sophie,

Liz White has been working on this one and will call Damien to discuss.

### Best regards,

**Daniel Creech** – Assistant Director Middle East, United Nations, Africa and Peacekeeping Global Interests Branch

International Policy Division Department of Defence Phone: +61 2 6265 6442

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Email: daniel.creech@defence.gov.au

From: Capel, Sophie Ms

Sent: Monday, 22 January 2018 5:14 PM

**To:** Creech, Daniel Mr **Cc:** DIP DEC DEAR

**Subject:** FW: DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Hi Daniel,

I have left you a voicemail today. I'd like to follow up the below request for IP Div Input from 12 January 2018.

Happy to discuss further if required.

Regards,

## **Sophie Capel**

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From: Capel, Sophie MS

**Sent:** Friday, 12 January 2018 12:00 PM

To: IPDIV-GI MEOP Cc: DIP DEC DEAR

Subject: DEC request for IP Div input - s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:REL/AUS/CAN/NZL/UK/USA]

Good morning,

DEC is currently assessing the In-Principle export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)



Please confirm that should DEC approve this export there would be no detrimental impact on \$47C, \$47E(d) with \$33(a)(iii) , or any other relevant countries that this export may have an impact on.

DEC will also be consulting with DFAT.

The applicant has advised that this cases is urgent, so we would be grateful for a response by 19 January 2018. Please let me know if you require more information.

Regards,

# **Sophie Capel**

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## Capel, Sophie Ms

From: s22

**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 May 2017 1:45 PM

**To:** Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

Cc: s22 ); Chifley, Damien MR; Mckinnon, Robert Mr (DFAT)

RE: DFAT advice on s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] [SEC=SECRET]

Hi Rebecca,

s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)

Cheers,

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Policy Officer

Conventional Weapons and Space Policy Section

Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch | International Security Division

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: Perkins, Rebecca MS 2 [mailto:rebecca.perkins2@defence.gov.au]

**Sent:** Monday, 22 May 2017 3:26 PM

**To:** \$22

**Subject:** RE: DFAT advice on s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

[SEC=SECRET] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Thanks \$22 , it's greatly appreciated. As mentioned, please feel free to contact Damien or myself at

any time.

**Rebecca Perkins** 

Risk Assessor - Defence Export Controls

P: +61 2 6265 6464 (unclassified) | E: rebecca.perkins2@defence.gov.au

From: S22

**Sent:** Monday, 22 May 2017 2:12 PM

**To:** Perkins, Rebecca MS 2; s22

**Subject:** RE: DFAT advice on s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

[SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] [SEC=SECRET]

Hi Rebecca

Thanks for the referral. We will do our best to review this within the requested time frame. \$22 is liaising with our s33(a)(iii), s47E(d) imminently. Regards s22 Director Conventional Weapons and Space Policy Section Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch | International Security Division Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade s22 From: Perkins, Rebecca MS 2 [mailto:rebecca.perkins2@defence.gov.au] **Sent:** Monday, 22 May 2017 2:02 PM To:S Cc: DIP DEC DEAR **Subject:** DFAT advice on s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] Good afternoon s22 On 3 March 2017 DEC received an application from s47G, s33(a)(iii) Details of the items are: s47G

DEC s7(2A) on this specific export as the goods do not present a capability issue. We have also

The applicant has provided an end use certificate, signed by the end user and verified by DEC.

FYI - DECS has the following relevant recent cases:

confirmed that the ADF s47G, s47C, 47E(d)



At this stage this case is being considered as part of a group of applications destined for countries s33(a)(iii)

, these

exports will be subject to the consideration of the Minister for Defence and her approval/denial.

We would appreciate DFAT advice in regard to the foreign policy and human rights implications of the proposed export.

There is currently pressure on the applicant to ship by Wednesday (24 May) or incur financial penalty, and we would appreciate DFAT advice <u>as soon as possible</u>. Please don't hesitate to contact me at any time to discuss further.

Regards,

Rebecca Perkins

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From: \$22
To: Coates, Alex Ms: \$2

Cc: Chifley, Damien Mr; Mathewson, Tina Ms; Perkins, Rebecca Ms 2

Subject: RE: DFAT advice to DEC assessments-[SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

[SEC=SECRET]

**Date:** Friday, 16 June 2017 5:05:56 PM

#### Hi Alex

Thanks for your email. Rob McKinnon AS Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch and I have discussed the below, and I confirm that Defence has suitably represented DFAT's positions on the relevant exports.

### Regards

s22

Director

Conventional Weapons and Space Policy Section Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch | International Security Division Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: Coates, Alex MS [mailto:alex.coates@defence.gov.au]

**Sent:** Friday, 16 June 2017 1:25 PM

**To:** s22

; Chifley, Damien [Defence]; Mathewson, Tina [Defence]; Perkins, Rebecca MS 2

**Subject:** DFAT advice to DEC assessments [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

[SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Good afternoon s22

Defence Export Controls (DEC) recently consulted with DFAT on a number of proposed exports. These exports are now part of a ministerial submission. This submission follows an earlier advice which provides information on the assessment of nine applications, for which you were consulted.

Each application has been summarised into a one-page summary, with your advice included. Please review each of the relevant cases for DFAT and confirm that DEC has suitably represented DFAT's position on this export. DEC requests that this advice is cleared at the Branch Head level.

Grateful if DFAT can respond by COB Monday 19 June. I acknowledge this is a very tight timeline, however we need to provide the minsub up to the Minister as soon as possible – the delays in approving these applications impacts the businesses of the exporters.

For your reference, please see attached:

1. MS17-900758 Attachment A – Current sensitive and complex export applications –

please consult this document to cross-reference. Advice provided by DFAT has been highlighted in green.

- 2. Draft ministerial submission (MS17-900758) to provide context.
- 3. Previous advice from DFAT.

Please contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns about this. My contact number is 02 6265 5727 (unclassified).

Many thanks,

Alex

#### **Alexandra Coates**

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From: <u>Creech, Daniel Mr</u>
To: <u>Malekin, Sarah Ms</u>

**Subject:** RE: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

**Date:** Friday, 11 May 2018 5:44:44 PM

Hi Sarah,

Cleared by A/FASIP Stephen Moore in respect of the bits on which IP is entitled to have an opinion.

### s33(a)(iii)

### Best regards,

**Daniel Creech** – Assistant Director Middle East, United Nations, Africa & Peacekeeping Global Interests Branch

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**From:** Malekin, Sarah Ms

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 5:29 PM

**To:** Creech, Daniel Mr

**Subject:** RE: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

HI Daniel,

As advised, DFAT have given this the tick and copy attached with your changes incorporated for BAND 2 approval.

Regards

#### Sarah Malekin

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Phone: 6265 1080

From: Creech, Daniel Mr

Sent: Friday, 11 May 2018 4:17 PM

To: Hosking, Steve Mr

Cc: Wood, Ian Mr 6; Hitchens, Stephanie Ms

**Subject:** FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

#### Hi Steve,

A few typos in track changes, one semantic amendment and a query; otherwise cleared.

### Best regards,

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From: Hosking, Steve Mr

Sent: Friday, 11 May 2018 4:06 PM

To: Creech, Daniel Mr

**Subject:** FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

From: Hosking, Steve Mr

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 2:10 PM

To: Creech, Daniel (DFAT); Wood, Ian Mr 6

**Subject:** FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

**Importance:** High

Dan, lan,

As discussed, urgent IP clearance sought. Apologies for short timeframe, but this one has everyone's attention at the moment.

Cheers Steve

From: Malekin, Sarah Ms

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 12:27 PM

**To:** Hosking, Steve Mr

**Subject:** FW: Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

### Sarah Malekin

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**From:** Malekin, Sarah Ms

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 12:10 PM **To:** Mckinnon, Robert Mr (DFAT)

**Subject:** Draft Minsub for clearance [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Importance: High

Good afternoon,

Further to your discussion with Tina, please find attached the draft Minsub for the export of your review and clearance.

The previously approved Minsub will be forwarded in a separate email.

Please note, your urgent consideration is requested.

Kindest regards

Sarah

### Sarah Malekin

Risk Assessor Defence Export Assessments & Regimes Defence Export Controls

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Phone: 6265 1080

From: Kearnan, Sheridan Dr
To: Malekin, Sarah Ms

Cc: <u>Mathewson, Tina Ms</u>; <u>Hosking, Steve Mr</u>

Subject: RE: s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]
Sunday, 13 May 2018 2:31:56 PM

Date: Sunday, 13 May 2018 2:31:56 PM
Attachments: MS18-900633 - s47G, s33(a)(iii)

draft.docx

#### Sarah

Tina and I have work shopped it more on Sunday. More about telling a story about the reassessment \$33(a)(iii)

A couple of questions to chase in the morning. Then I'll have a final sanity check. Tina will need to discuss \$33(a)(iii) with Min office. Then we should be good to go.

### Sheridan

From: Malekin, Sarah Ms

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 6:38 PM

**To:** Kearnan, Sheridan Dr **Cc:** Mathewson, Tina Ms **Subject:** \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

**ESEC=SECRET**,

CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Good evening Sheridan,

Attached is the draft MINSUB plus its attachments for your review. Please note IP's attached email \$33(a)(iii)

Please call Tina's mobile if you would like to have a redrafting party on Sunday.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah

#### Sarah Malekin

Risk Assessor Defence Export Assessments & Regimes Defence Export Controls

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| Clearance

From: Nixon, Lyndal J
To: Capel, Sophie Ms

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle Mrs 2; \$22 Hosking, Steve Mr; Mckinnon, Robert Mr (DFAT);

s22

Subject: RE: MS18-900891 | s47G, s33(a)(iii)

request [SEC=SECRET]

**Date:** Thursday, 5 July 2018 2:53:48 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.jpg</u>

#### **SECRET**

### Hi Sophie

Please see the below comments from Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch, International Security Division.

### s33(a)(iii), s47C, s47E(d)

Regards,

Lyndal

## **Lyndal Nixon**

(Defence secondee) Assistant Director | Conventional Weapons and Defence National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch | International Security Division Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: S22

Sent: Thursday, 5 July 2018 9:32 AM

To: \$22

Cc: Nixon, Lyndal J < Lyndal.Nixon@dfathigh.dfat.gov.au>; \$22

**Subject:** FW: MS18-900891 | **s47G**, **s33(a)**(iii)

Clearance request [SEC=SECRET]

### **SECRET**

From: Capel, Sophie Ms < sophie.capel@defence.gov.au>

Sent: Wednesday, 4 July 2018 5:19 PM

To: \$22

Cc: Maclachlan, Michelle Mrs 2 < michelle.maclachlan2@defence.gov.au >; \$22

**Subject:** MS18-900891 | s47G, s33(a)(iii)

| Clearance request [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Good afternoon,

Defence Export Controls (DEC) recently consulted with DFAT on the in-principle export of s47G, s33(a)(iii)

The export is now the subject of a ministerial submission (see attached MS18-900891), with DFAT's advice included (see Attachment C – DFAT advice dated 21 May 2018). Please review the attached submission and confirm that DEC has suitably represented DFAT's position on this export.

DEC is seeking clearance at the 1 star equivalent or above.

We would greatly appreciate clearance NLT 1200 Thursday 5 July. I acknowledge this is a tight timeline; however, we need to provide the submission up to the Minister urgently in order to notify the exporter as soon as possible of the outcome of our assessment.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further.

Kind regards,

## **Sophie Capel**

Risk Assessor

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From: Mckinnon, Robert

To: <u>Mathewson, Tina Ms</u>; <u>Malekin, Sarah Ms</u>

Cc: <u>Kearnan, Sheridan Dr</u>; <u>Sadleir, Richard Mr (DFAT)</u> s22

Subject: RE: Previous approved MINSUB for export of s47G, s33(a) [SEC=SECRET]

**Date:** Friday, 11 May 2018 5:20:40 PM

Attachments: DFAT comment - Draft Defence MinSub or \$47G, \$33(a)(iii)

#### **SECRET**

### Hello Tina and Sara

Thanks for the opportunity to review and comment on the draft submission.

s33(a)(iii)	
s47E(d)	
s33(a)(iii)	

Best regards

Rob

Robert McKinnon
Assistant Secretary
National Security Strategy, Cyber and Intelligence Branch
International Security Division

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From: Malekin, Sarah Ms [mailto:sarah.malekin@defence.gov.au]

**Sent:** Friday, 11 May 2018 12:16 PM

**To:** Mckinnon, Robert < Robert. Mckinnon@dfathigh.dfat.gov.au>

**Subject:** Previous approved MINSUB for export of s47G, s33(a)(iii) [SEC=SECRET,

**CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO** 

Good afternoon,

As promised, please find attached the previously approved Minsub (MS17-900592) for the s47G, s33(a)(iii)

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

Regards

Sarah

### Sarah Malekin

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**From:** Chifley, Damien MR

**Sent:** Thursday, 14 July 2016 5:24 PM

To: Smith, Annette MRS 1
Cc: Cooper, Wayne MR 5

Subject: FW: Export for s47G [SEC=SECRET]

Attachments: s47G

Hi Annette,

For your records.

**Thanks** 

**Damien** 

**Damien Chifley** 

Director

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From: s22

Sent: Thursday, 14 July 2016 4:56 PM

To: Mathewson, Tina MS

Cc: \$22 ); Chifley, Damien MR; Bator, Elliott MR; \$22

Sadleir, Richard Mr (DFAT)

**Subject:** RE: Export for \$47G [SEC=SECRET]

Hi Tina,

Please find attached DFAT's response to the proposed export by \$47G

Kind Regards,

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Conventional Weapons Section

Arms Control & Counter-Proliferation Branch | International Security Division

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: Mathewson, Tina MS [mailto:tina.mathewson@defence.gov.au]

Sent: Wednesday, 13 July 2016 3:01 PM

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Chifley, Damien [Defence]; Bator, Elliott [Defence]

**Subject:** Export for \$47G [SEC=SECRET]

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From a proliferation and risk perspective this application for \$47G is low risk as the units would be \$47G
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s47G  Defence is proposing to approve the application with a number of conditions:
<ul> <li>s47G</li> <li>The requirement for the equipment to remain in the custody and control of the company at all times; and</li> <li>Any future exports would be subject to separate consideration against all the normal criteria.</li> </ul>
Can you please provide comment from a DFAT perspective. s47G, s33(a)(iii)
My sincere apologies but advice is sought as a matter of priority \$47G .
Happy to discuss.
Tina
Tina Mathewson Assistant Secretary Defence Export Controls

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PDR: MS17-900758

Ref: FASSP(S)/OUT/2017/45

## MINISTERIAL SUBMISSION

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Minister for Defence - For action

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Through: DEPSEC SP&I S22/9/8

Copies to: SEC, CDF, CDS, s7(2A) FASIP, ASDEC

## Sensitive or complex defence export applications

Critical Date: 25 August 2017	Reason: These export applications are currently held by
	Defence

### Recommendations:

1. Note that Defence intends to finalise nine sensitive or complex export applications.

Noted / Please discuss

Minister for Defence...... Date

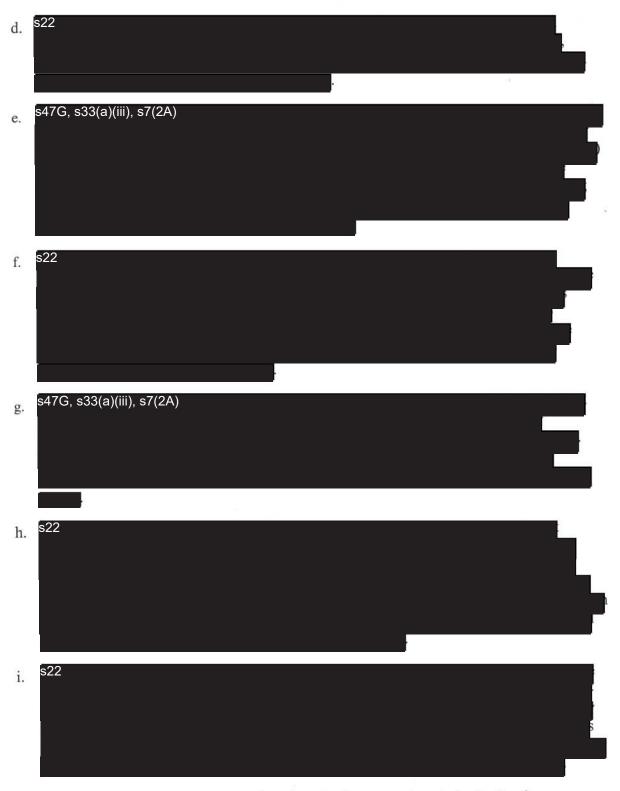
## **Key Points:**

1. The purpose of this submission is to provide greater visibility of nine sensitive or complex cases being considered by Defence. These cases are summarised below.



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2. Each of the applications has been assessed against the five export control criteria of international obligations, human rights, national security, regional security and foreign policy. The assessment process has been informed by consultation with a range of areas across Defence and other government agencies, including IP Div. 57(2A) DFAT.

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3. Defence intends to finalise the assessments and approve the permits for all cases. If you wish to discuss any of the cases, I would be happy to provide more detail at your convenience.

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Ms Samantha Higgins A/First Assistant Secretary Strategic Policy Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group

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1 8 August 2017

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Sensitivity: s33(a)(iii)

These cases are either nearing, or have already exceeded the target assessment timeframe of 35 days.

# Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts.

**Related Briefs:** 

s47E(d)

MS17-900558 - DEC -

MS17-900563 - Sensitive and complex defence export applications

Consultation:

The assessments of these cases included consultation with s7(2A) DFAT (Mr Robert McKinnon, Assistant Secretary Strategic Issues and Intelligence Branch Director Conventional Weapons and Space Policy Section), IP Div (Ms Anita Lewan, Director \$33(a)(iii) Five Power Defence Arrangements, South and South East Asia Branch and Mr Steven Moore, Assistant Secretary

Global Interests), and Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group (Mr Rex Rowe, A/Director General Integrated Soldier Systems Branch).