

# PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA

# SECURITY

# INFORMATION CIRCULAR

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TO: SENATORS, MEMBERS AND OTHER BUILDING OCCUPANTS

**Australian Army helicopters flying over Parliament House on Friday 12 November 2010**

1 Senators, Members and other building occupants are advised that the Australian Army will be conducting a helicopter training exercise in Canberra on Friday 12 November 2010.

2 As part of this exercise, four Blackhawk helicopters will make a number of approaches over Parliament House between 12.00pm and 1.00pm. The helicopters will hover over rooftop locations of the Senate and House of Representatives buildings. The helicopters will not descend below an altitude of 15 meters above the buildings.

3 As the helicopters approach the building there will be considerable noise and possible "down-wash". However, the Army have advised that there will be no restrictions on pedestrian access throughout the exercise.

4 This training is for exercise purposes only and is not in response to any specific security threat or situation.

5 Any enquiries regarding this exercise should be directed to the Acting Director Security, Mr Murray Thompson, on extn 4701, or by email to [murray.thompson@aph.gov.au](mailto:murray.thompson@aph.gov.au).

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