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Inquiry into the 2023-24 and 2024-25 Major Projects Report

**PUBLIC HEARING
Thursday 23 April 2026**

**Committee Room 2R1
Parliament House, Canberra, ACT**

Time	Witness
2.30 pm	<p>Department of Defence Ms Celia Perkins, Acting Associate Secretary Mr Chris Deeble, Deputy Secretary, Capability Acquisition and Sustainment Group Ms Ariana Kornek, First Assistant Secretary, Financial Performance and Management Mr John Chandler, First Assistant Secretary, Submarines & Continuous Naval Shipbuilding and Sustainment Ms Sheryl Lutz, First Assistant Secretary, Major Surface Combatants and Combat Systems Division Air Vice Marshall Nicholas Hogan, Head, Air Force Capability Major General Richard Vagg, Head, Land Capability Air Vice Marshall David Scheul, Head, Joint Aviation Systems Division Air Vice Marshall Martin Nussio, Head, Air Defence and Space Systems Division Major General Jason Blain, Head, Land Systems Division Commodore Michael Turner, Director, General Maritime Integrated Capabilities Air Commodore Alison MacCarthy, Director, General Aerospace Surveillance and Response Commodore Peter Mingay, Acting Head, Patrol Boats and Specialist Ships Major General Matthew Pearse, Acting Head, Force Design</p> <p>Australian National Audit Office Dr Caralee McLiesh PSM, Auditor-General Ms Rona Mellor PSM, Deputy Auditor-General Mr Ian Goodwin, Group Executive Director, Performance Audit Services Group Ms Susan Drennan, Senior Executive Director, Performance Audit Services Group Mr Sean Benfield, Senior Executive Director, Financial Statements Audit Services Group Ms Amy Willmott, Executive Director, Performance Audit Services Group Ms Renina Boyd, Senior Director, Performance Audit Services Group</p>
4.30 pm	<i>Close</i>