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Defence Sub-Committee

Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

Health and wellbeing of transitioning ADF personnel to be investigated

The health and wellbeing of personnel transitioning out of the Australian Defence Forces will be investigated at a public hearing on Tuesday as part of a review being undertaken by the Defence Sub-Committee of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade.

Senior officials of the Department of Defence and the Department of Veteran's Affairs will give evidence regarding mental health and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder issues, and care and availability of support programs of transitioning personnel, as part of the sub-committee's review of the Defence Annual Report 2013 -14.

The public hearing will be held on **Tuesday**, **16 June 2015** at Parliament House in Committee Room **1R1 commencing at 5.35 pm**.

The proceedings will be audiocast live on: www.aph.gov.au/live

For a program and more details, visit the committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/jfadt

The Defence Annual Report 2013-14 is available online at: http://www.defence.gov.au/annualreports/13-14/

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