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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE

Inquiry into the Defence Annual Report 2015-16

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Canberra hearing for inquiry into the Defence Annual Report 2015-16

9.00am FRIDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2017

The performance of the Australian Defence Force (ADF) and Department of Defence will be under review when officials give evidence at a public hearing in Canberra on Friday, 17 February 2017.

The Defence Sub-Committee of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade is conducting an inquiry into the *Defence Annual Report 2015-16*.

The Chair of the Defence Sub-Committee, Senator Linda Reynolds CSC (WA), said the public hearing will allow members of the ADF and Department of Defence, as well as experts from the Australian Strategic Policy Institute, to discuss the performance of Defence in achieving the outcomes set by Government.

“This public hearing provides an important opportunity to examine and assess the major issues facing Australia’s Defence Force over the past twelve months, and into the future, including operations, capability development and personnel matters.”

A full program for the public hearing is available on the Committee’s website below.

Public Hearing details:

Time: 9.00 am to 4.30pm

Date: Friday, 17 February 2017

Location: Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

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