



Appendix A – Tour Program

14 July 2003

Location: RAAF Fairbairn

0900 – 0950 Depart RAAF Fairbairn for RAAF Williamtown.

Location: RAAF Williamtown

1020 – 1140 ADF Warfare Centre - brief by AIRCDRE Green, Commandant ADFWC.

Brief on the role and functions of the ADF Warfare Centre. The brief included the development of joint doctrine, joint training, joint and combined exercises, evaluation of ADF operations and exercises, and the ADF Peacekeeping Centre. The brief also outlined the planning for Exercise Crocodile 03.

1230 – 1430 Surveillance and Control Group - brief by AIRCDRE Pietsch, Commander SCG.

1430 – 1530 RAAFWLM - brief and Tour by WGCDR Farnsworth, Base Commander RAAF Williamtown.

- 1530 – 1630 381 Expeditionary Combat Support Squadron - brief by WGCDR Kelton and Inspection of an F/A18 Hornet.
- The reorganisation of RAAF Base support personnel into Expeditionary Combat Support Squadrons (ECSS) was an outcome of the Government initiated Defence Reform Program (DRP).
- 381ECSS is one of three such squadrons. The brief covered the history of the squadron since its formation in 1998, its deployable nature and its roles within the ADF combat power model, as well as its inter-relationships with RAAF Williamtown and Service Provider Groups, and concluded with a summary of where the squadron fits within Combat Support Group.
- In addition opportunities were provided to speak with 381ECSS personnel recently returned from operational service.
- 1630 Depart for RAAF Darwin by VIP aircraft.

15 July 2003

Location: HQNORCOM

- 0900 – 1015 Headquarters Northern Command - brief by CAPT Banks, RAN.
- The brief covered the structure and function of HQNORCOM and included discussion of Defence Aid to the Civil Community, the maintenance of operational and military links with Eastern Indonesia, responsibilities as the single point of contact for ADF and Northern territory Government and facilitate industry and commercial support to ADF operations.

1030 – 1200 North West Mobile Force - brief by LTCOL Sutton, Commanding Officer.

LTCOL Sutton presented a brief on the roles and responsibilities of the North West Mobile Force and discussed the unique aspects of the unit, especially the unique relationship with isolated aboriginal communities and the very large area that NORFORCE covers.

The brief also covered a brief history of the unit, the unit's operating equipment and issues it currently faces.

16 July 2003

Location: RAAF Darwin

0830 Depart RAAF Darwin for East Timor by VIP aircraft.

Location: East Timor

0930-1800 Brief on the ADF Contingent & tour to meet ADF personnel.

1800 Depart East Timor for RAAF Darwin by VIP aircraft.

17 July 2003

Location: RAAF Darwin

1200 – 1220 Depart RAAF Darwin for RAAF Tindal.

Location: RAAF Tindal

1305 – 1500	RAAFTDL - brief by GPCAPT Metz. Presentation by GPCAPT Metz on the mission, history, command relationships, roles, resources, exercise program and unique aspects of 322CSW, 75 SQN and Tindal.
1500 – 1600	Meet and greet with members and families of RAAF Tindal, including afternoon tea.
1600 – 2105	Depart RAAF Tindal to RAAF Base Fairbairn by VIP Aircraft.

Location: RAAF Fairbairn

2105	Arrive RAAF Fairbairn Air Movements.
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