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Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

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Chair: Ms Janelle Saffin MP

Public hearing scheduled for proposed security upgrades for Defence bases

Representatives of the Department of Defence (Defence) will appear before the Public Works Committee on Friday 10 August 2012 for the inquiry into the proposed Base Infrastructure Works Project under the Base Security Improvement Program.

The objective of the Base Infrastructure Works Project is to deliver tailored infrastructure works at 16 priority Defence sites, in order to reduce the risk of specific types of terrorist attack upon Defence personnel. To meet this objective, the project will deliver infrastructure treatments tailored to each site's specific security risk profile, function and other environmental factors. The total cost of the project is approximately \$205.52 million, excluding GST.

Full details on Defence's proposal are available on the Committee's website: <u>www.aph.gov.au/pwc</u>

Representatives from Defence and their consultants will give evidence at the hearing.

Hearing Venue:	Macquarie Room, NSW Parliament House, Sydney
Date:	Friday, 10 August 2012
Time:	1.00pm to 3.00pm—Department of Defence (Submission 1)

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

NB the Public Works Committee is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to the Department of Defence.

For interview: Contact the Chair's media advisor, Lee Duncan on 0448 158 150.

For further information, including how to make a submission, the public hearing times, and copies of submissions when they become available, please visit the Committee website <u>http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc</u> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.