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Submission No. 2 (Enhanced Land Force Stage 1 Facilities)

Dear Sir/Madam

Enhanced Land Force Stage 1 Facilities, RAAF Base Amberley, QUEENSLAND

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

Council has established an excellent working relationship with the Department of Defence in developing a Town Planning Scheme over many years and it is this successful partnership that has made the enhancement of these facilities possible.

Ipswich City Council continually encourages and supports the need for capital works projects in refurbishment of the RAAF Base Amberley to provide the necessary new, expanded and modified facilities and infrastructure to support future capability at this RAAF Base.

The Town Planning Scheme encourages development at RAAF Base Amberley and has been designed to protect the operating efficiency of the Base through a number of conditions relating to building heights, lighting controls and an extensive buffer zone, all designed to ensure that other developments do not affect operations on the Base.

The Department of State Development has purchased 170 hectares of land adjacent to the Base for the establishment of an Aerospace Industrial Park. This project will provide further momentum for the development of this industrial park creating significant economic benefits to our region.

Ipswich City Council looks forward to working in partnership with the Australian Defence Forces to upgrade the accommodation, training facilities and site infrastructure of the joint facilities operating out of RAAF Base Amberley.

Kind regards

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