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- Proposed Defence Logistics Transformation Program
- Proposed upgrade of on-base housing for Defence at Larrakeyah Barracks, Darwin, Northern Territory
- Proposed upgrade of on-base housing for Defence at RAAF Base Tindal, Northern Territory

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Proposed new National Archives Preservation Facility and refurbishment of the existing Mitchell facility for the National Archives of Australia at Mitchell, ACT

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that the Australian Government provide the necessary up-front funding to National Archives of Australia for the integrated fit-out of the proposed National Archives Preservation Facility project, thereby providing value for money for the Commonwealth.

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Proposed Defence Logistics Transformation Program

Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives resolve, pursuant to Section 18(7) of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, that it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work: Defence Logistics Transformation Program.

Proposed upgrade of on-base housing for Defence at Larrakeyah Barracks, Darwin, and RAAF Base Tindal, Northern Territory

Recommendation 3

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives resolve, pursuant to Section 18(7) of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, that it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work: Proposed upgrade of on-base housing for Defence at Larrakeyah Barracks, Darwin, NT.

Recommendation 4

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives resolve, pursuant to Section 18(7) of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, that it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work: Proposed upgrade of on-base housing for Defence at RAAF Base Tindal, NT.

Appendix A – List of Submissions

Appendix B – List of Inspections, Hearings and Witnesses