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Response to submissions from Returned & Services League and National Capital Authority relating to Redevelopment of Post 1945 Conflicts Galleries and Discovery Room at Australian War Memorial.

The Memorial enjoys an excellent working and consultative relationship with the RSL and the general veteran community. The stakeholder consultation process, referred to in the submission, is a major commitment by the Memorial to ensure that as many people as possible can provide comments and ideas to the development of the new galleries. We are currently meeting with groups across Australia, seeking their feedback on the proposed content for the new Post 1945 Conflicts galleries and Discovery Room.

The Memorial has been encouraged by the support and response so far to this process and delighted by the appreciation expressed by the National President of the RSL in their submission.

The Memorial appreciates the determination from the NCA relating to the external works for the redevelopment of the galleries. Detailed documentation for these works will be provided for NCA works approval in the next few months. This will include information on the major objects (i.e. Iroquois helicopter and Armoured Personnel Carrier) that will be installed into the new galleries that necessitate the new collection access doors.

The Memorial will continue to consult with the NCA and the Department of Environment and Heritage on the details of the new internal and external works prior to the formal approval and referral processes.

Yours sincerely

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