

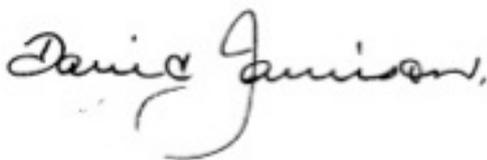


Finally allegations that ADSO and its member organisations do not represent the veterans of more recent conflicts could not be further from the truth. ADSO member organisations have strong ties to current members of the ADF and more recent veterans and they are as much a focus as those of previous conflicts.

Indeed, much of the ADSO membership comprises serving ADF members as well as discharged veterans of the more recent deployments and many of the recent ADSO initiatives have been directed at their needs.

ADSO fully acknowledges that there are issues in the way support is provided to serving and former ADF members and is working to address them through the well-established consultative process. ADSO believes the call for a Royal Commission would hinder rather than help improve this support.

Yours sincerely,



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The Defence Force Welfare Association (DFWA), Naval Association of Australia (NAA), RAAF Association (RAAFA), Royal Australian Regiment Corporation (RARC), Australian Special Air Service Association (ASASA), Vietnam Veterans Association of Australia (VVAA), the Australian Federation of Totally and Permanently Incapacitated Ex-Service Men and Women, the Fleet Air Arm Association of Australia, Partners of Veterans Association of Australia, Royal Australian Armoured Corps Corporation (RAAC), the National Malaya & Borneo Veterans Association Australia (NMBVAA), the Defence Reserves Association (DRS), the Australian Gulf War Veterans Association, Military Police Association Australia (MPAA) and Australian Army Apprentices Association.