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Officers and Instructors of Cadets recognised

The Government today announced its response to the recommendations of the independent Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal inquiry into the recognition of contributions made by officers and instructors of the Australian Cadet Force.

The Tribunal's report made a number of recommendations, particularly in relation to the current form of 'Certificates of Service' that recognise service as an officer and instructor of the Australian Cadet Force.

After considering this recommendation, Defence has found that the current form of 'Certificates of Service' remain appropriate.

Another recommendation was that the Chiefs of Service Committee consider amending, as they consider appropriate, the administrative procedures for the award of a conspicuous service decoration to enable nomination of officers and instructors of the Australian Cadet Force.

No change to procedures is required because provision already exists within the Australian honours system to consider officers and instructors for Conspicuous Service Decorations.

There were no other changes resulting from the Tribunal's findings. The full report is available at http://defence-honours-tribunal.gov.au/inquiries/completed-inquiries/cadets/.

Further information on Defence honours and awards is available at www.defence.gov.au/medals.

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