



Defence Reserves Association

## DRA National Conference – Saturday, 3 September 2022

### “Calling out the Reserves – the need for balance and sustainability”

#### PROGRAM

Serial	Timing	Topic	Speaker/Moderator
1.	0830 - 0855	<i>Assembly/Registration</i>	<i>Conference Secretary</i>
2.	0855 - 0900	Opening Address	MAJGEN Paul Irving, National President DRA
3.	0900 - 0925	How the Government will achieve balance & sustainability of ADF Reservists in meeting domestic disaster operations	Hon Richard Marles, MP, Minister for Defence (TBC)
4.	0925 - 0950	How the Opposition would achieve balance & sustainability of ADF Reservists in meeting domestic disaster operations	Hon Andrew Hastie, MP, Shadow Minister for Defence
5.	0950 - 1000	Open Forum	Mr Neil James, Executive Director, Australia Defence Association
6.	1000 - 1030	<i>Morning Tea</i>	<i>Conference Secretary</i>
7.	1030 - 1055	The Canadian experience – use of Canadian Reservists on domestic operations	MAJGEN RRE MacKenzie, Chief of Reserves & Employer Support, Canada
8.	1055 -1120	Role of Military Strategic Commitments Division in managing Government expectations in providing ADF support to domestic operations	BRIG Simon Johnstone, Director General, Military Strategic Effects
9.	1120 - 1145	A “non-Defence” view – interface between State Emergency Services & the ADF in domestic operations	Mr Andrew Crisp, Victorian Emergency Management Commissioner
10.	1145 - 1205	Open Forum	Mr Neil James, Executive Director, Australia Defence Association

11.	1205 - 1305	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Conference Secretary</i>
12.	1305 - 1330	Role of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Division, as a new functional command, in the conduct of domestic operations	MAJGEN David Thomaе, Commander 2nd Division
13.	1330 - 1355	Personnel initiatives and issues associated with the call out and use of Reservists on domestic operations and progress on the implementation of the Total Workforce System	MAJGEN Wade Stothart, Head People Capability
14.	1355 - 1420	How other countries use Reservists on domestic operations & work of International Committee on Employer Support	MAJGEN Doug Laidlaw, Head Joint Support Services Division
15.	1420 - 1440	Open Forum	Mr Neil James, Executive Director, Australia Defence Association
16.	1440 - 1510	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>	<i>Conference Secretary</i>
17.	1510 - 1530	Use of Naval Reservists on domestic operations & training of Naval Reservists	CDRE Eric Young, Director General Navy People
18.	1530 - 1550	Enhancing call out of the Army Reserve & training for war	BRIG Michael Bond, Director General Reserves – Army
19.	1550 - 1610	Development of a balanced and affordable future RAAF workforce	AIRCDRE Tony Hindmarsh, Director General Workforce Design and Reserves – Air Force (TBC)
20.	1610 - 1630	Open Forum about Reserve workforce initiatives and issues	Mr Neil James, Executive Director, Australia Defence Association
21.	1630 - 1640	Current issues affecting Veterans	MAJGEN Greg Melick, National President RSL
22.	1655 - 1700	Closing Address	MAJGEN Paul Irving, National President DRA
23.	1900 for 1930	<i>Conference Dinner</i>	<i>Conference Secretary</i>