



Australian Government
Repatriation Medical Authority

DECLARATION UNDER SUBSECTION 196B(9)
OF THE VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS ACT 1986

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority), under subsection 196B(9) of the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 (the Act), makes the following declaration in respect of the review of the contents of the Statements of Principles in force under the Act concerning suicide and attempted suicide, Instrument Nos. 11 and 12 of 2010.

The investigation related to "a threatening, hostile, hazardous and/or menacing situation and/or environment". The Notice of Investigation was published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette of 26 March 2014.

A literature search did not reveal any publications for examination of a causal relationship between the factor under consideration and suicide and attempted suicide.

The Authority declares that it does not propose to amend Statements of Principles, Instrument Nos. 11 and 12 of 2010, concerning suicide and attempted suicide for the reason that there is no new sound medical-scientific evidence available to justify an amendment to the Statements of Principles already determined in respect of suicide and attempted suicide.

The Common Seal of the
Repatriation Medical Authority
was affixed at the direction of:

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO
CHAIRPERSON 17 / 10 /2014