Amendment Statement of Principles

ISCHAEMIC HEART DISEASE

No. 97 of 2010

for the purposes of the

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 and Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004

- 1. This Instrument may be cited as Statement of Principles concerning ischaemic heart disease No. 97 of 2010.
- 2. The Repatriation Medical Authority amends, under subsection 196B(8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, Statement of Principles concerning ischaemic heart disease Instrument No. 90 of 2007, as amended by Instrument No. 44 of 2009, by:
 - (A) Inserting a new factor "(pa)" immediately following factor "(p)" in clause 6 as follows:
 - "(pa) For acute myocardial infarction only, having an episode of acute cholinergic poisoning from exposure to an organophosphorus ester within the 14 days before the clinical onset of ischaemic heart disease; or";
 - (B) Inserting a new factor "(ffa)" immediately following factor "(ff)" in clause 6 as follows:
 - "(ffa) For acute myocardial infarction only, having an episode of acute cholinergic poisoning from exposure to an organophosphorus ester within the 14 days before the clinical worsening of ischaemic heart disease; or"

and

(C) Inserting new definitions for "acute cholinergic poisoning" and "an organophosphorus ester" in clause 9 as follows:

"**acute cholinergic poisoning**" means symptoms and signs due to the inhibition of acetylcholinesterase enzyme activity which occur within the 24 hours following exposure. These symptoms and signs are: acute paralysis, overwhelming bronchial secretions, bradycardia, gastrointestinal distress, miosis, lacrimation or diarrhoea;'

"**'an organophosphorus ester**" means an agent used to inhibit acetylcholinesterase, and includes the organophosphate pesticides chlorpyrifos, dichlorvos, EPN (ethyl p-nitrophenyl theonobenzenephosphonate), leptophos, methamidophos, mipafox (diisopropyl phosphorofluoridate), omethoate, parathion, TOCP (tri-ortho-cresyl phosphate), trichlorfon and trichlornat;'.

- 3. The amendment made by this instrument applies to all matters to which Instrument No. 90 of 2007, as amended by Instrument No. 44 of 2009, section 120B of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* and section 339 of the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* apply.
- 4. The amendment made by this instrument takes effect from 10 November 2010.

Dated this twenty-seventh day of October 2010

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The Common Seal of the Repatriation Medical Authority was affixed to this instrument in the presence of

> KEN DONALD CHAIRPERSON