Defending Australia and its Interests: Continuity and Change?

One-Day Seminar 18 October 2019

PROGRAMME

0915-1000	Registration
1000	Welcome - Commodore Greg Yorke
1005-1050	Dr Tom Rogers – Pre-Federation to Post-First World War
1100-1150	Emeritus Prof David Horner – the Inter-War Period to the Cold War
1200-1300	Lunch
1300-1350	Prof Peter Edwards – The Cold War
1400-1450	Prof Peter Leahy – Post-Cold War
1500-1530	Afternoon Tea
1530-1630	Facilitated Panel Discussion with four speakers and following guests: • Hon Prof Brendan Sargeant • Captain Sean Andrews • Jim Molan
1630-1645	Closing Observations

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SPEAKERS AND PANEL DISCUSSION PARTICIPANTS

Tom Rogers - Historian in the Military History Section at the Australian War Memorial, where he researches colonial Australian history, the South African (Boer) War, and the First World War. His research interests include colonial Australian and British Empire history and military and political history.

David Horner - Emeritus Professor of Australian Defence History at Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, Australian National University. His research interests include Australian defence history, particularly strategy, command, intelligence and operations and current defence issues. He is the Official Historian for the Australian Peacekeeping and Post-Cold War Operations.

Peter Edwards - Official Historian of Australia's Involvement in Southeast Asian Conflicts 1948–1975. He was the author of the volumes dealing with politics, strategy and diplomacy, Crises and Commitments (1992) and A Nation at War (1997), and general editor of the nine-volume Official History.

Peter Leahy - Director of the National Security Institute, University of Canberra and retired senior officer of the Australian Army. His military career culminated with his appointment as Chief of the Army from 2002 until 2008. He is also the patron of the Military Historical Society of Australia.

Brendan Sargeant - Honorary Professor at Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, Australian National University. He has had wide experience with the Australian Department of Defence and has held senior appointments including Head of Strategic Policy Division, Deputy Secretary Strategy and Associate Secretary.

Sean Andrews - Director of the Sea Power Centre – Australia. He has held a wide number of appointments with the Navy and Department of Defence including Deputy Director in Contestability – Force Design.

Jim Molan - Former politician. He was a Senator for New South Wales from December 2017 to June 2019, representing the Liberal Party. He had a long and active military career including Commanding Officer of the 6th Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, Commander of the 1st Brigade and Commander of the 1st Division and its Deployable Joint Force Headquarters.