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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 **motor neurone disease**, Instrument Nos. **67 and 68 of 2013**.

The investigation related to "**traumatic brain injury**" and "**blows to the head**" as factors in **motor neurone disease**. The Notice of Investigation was published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette of **10 January 2017**.

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The Authority declares that it does not propose to amend Statements of Principles, Instrument Nos. **67 and 68 of 2013**, concerning **motor neurone disease** for the reason that the new sound medical-scientific evidence available to it is insufficient to justify an amendment to the Statements of Principles already determined in respect of **motor neurone disease**.

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

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO CHAIRPERSON 30 / 06 / 2017