NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

Section 196G of the

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

The Repatriation Medical Authority gives notice under section 196G of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act* 1986 (the Act) that it intends to carry out under section 196B(4)(b) of the Act, an investigation to find out whether a Statement of Principles may be determined in respect of **Helicobacter pylori infection**.

The Authority invites the following persons and organisations to make written submissions to the Authority in respect of the investigation:

- any person eligible to make a claim for pension under Part II or Part IV of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*;
- any organisation representing veterans, Australian mariners, members of the Forces, members of the Peacekeeping Forces or their dependants;
- the Repatriation Commission; and
- any person having expertise in a field relevant to the investigation.

The Repatriation Medical Authority will hold its first meeting for the purposes of the investigation on 17 **December 1997.**

Under the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, the RMA is required to find out whether there is any sound medical-scientific evidence about Helicobacter pylori infection. Therefore, persons and organisations wishing to make a submission should obtain from the RMA Secretariat (at the address and phone number below) a copy of the *RMA Submission Guidelines*.

All submissions must be in writing and received by the Authority at the address below no later than **31 October 1997.**

The Common Seal of the)	
Repatriation Medical Authorit)	
was affixed in the presence of)	
	KEN DONALD	
	CHAIRMAN	27/8/97

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