NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

Section 196G of the

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

The Authority gives notice under section 196G of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act) that it intends to carry out an investigation following receipt of a request under section 196E of the Act for an investigation in respect of **neuropathy**.

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 this investigation on **7** March 2000.

Under the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*, the RMA is required to find out whether there is a body of sound medical-scientific evidence about neuropathy. 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 **28 January 2000.**

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| | CHAIRMAN | 28/10/99 |

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