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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 **malignant melanoma of the skin**, Instrument Nos. 102 and 103 of 2015.

The investigation related to "firefighting" as a factor in malignant melanoma of the skin. The Notice of Investigation was published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette of 8 January 2019.

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The Authority declares that it does not propose to amend Statements of Principles, Instrument Nos. 102 and 103 of 2015, concerning malignant melanoma of the skin for the reason that the sound medical-scientific evidence available to it, including the new sound medical-scientific evidence, is not sufficient to justify an amendment to the Statements of Principles already determined in respect of malignant melanoma of the skin.

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

PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO CHAIRPERSON 21 / 6 / 2019