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Repatriation Medical Authority

DECLARATION UNDER SUBSECTION 196B(6)

OF THE VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS ACT 1986

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority), under subsection 196B(6) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), makes the following declaration in respect of the investigation concerning **monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS)** notified in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette of 8 January 2019.

The Authority is of the view that monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS) is an asymptomatic, abnormal laboratory finding which does not require medical treatment. Hence it is not a disease or injury as defined in section 5D of the Act and is not a condition for which a Statement of Principles could be determined

The Authority declares that it does not propose to make a Statement of Principles concerning monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS), for the purposes of subsection 196B(2) or (3) of the Act, for the reason that the Authority concluded that monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS) is not a "disease" as defined in section 5D of the Act.

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

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PROFESSOR NICHOLAS SAUNDERS AO CHAIRPERSON 21 / 06 / 2019