

**REPATRIATION MEDICAL AUTHORITY**  
**DECLARATION UNDER SUBSECTION 196B(9)**  
**OF THE VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS ACT 1986**

The Repatriation Medical Authority, under subsection 196B(9) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the Act), makes the following declaration in respect of an investigation to review some of the contents of a Statement of Principles in force under the Act in respect of '*tungsten as a factor in soft tissue sarcoma*'. Notice of this investigation was gazetted on 2 May 2007 in the Australian Government Notices Gazette.

DECLARATION & REASON

The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority) declares that it does not propose to amend the Statements of Principles concerning **soft tissue sarcoma**, being Instrument Nos. 13 and 14 of 2006, for the reason that the new sound medical-scientific evidence available to the Authority is not sufficient to justify an amendment to the Statements of Principles already determined in respect of **soft tissue sarcoma**.

The Common Seal of the                    )  
Repatriation Medical Authority        )  
was affixed in the presence of:        )

KEN DONALD  
CHAIRPERSON

20/06/2007