

**Question on notice no. 389**

**Portfolio question number: 404**

**2023-24 Budget estimates**

**Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee, Defence Portfolio**

**Senator Ross Cadell:** asked the Department of Defence on 28 June 2023—

With reference to the recommendations of the Defence Honours and Appeals Tribunal titled "Recognising Their Sacrifice" made in 2022, what is the progress and updated implementation timeline for each of the following recommendations:

Memorial Clasp and accompanying scroll - to recognise the service-related death of a veteran;

Gratitude Clasp, a lapel pin and accompanying scroll - to recognise serious wounding or injury suffered, or serious disease contracted or aggravated, by a veteran in or as a result of service;

Memorial Star and accompanying scroll - to recognise the sacrifice of the family of a veteran whose death was service-related; and

Gratitude Star and accompanying scroll - to recognise the sacrifice of a family of a veteran who suffered a serious wound or injury or contracted or aggravated a serious disease in or as a result of service.

**Answer —**

See attached.

## SENATE ESTIMATES QUESTION

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Senator Ross Cadell asked the Department of Defence the following question, upon notice, on 28 June 2023:

With reference to the recommendations of the Defence Honours and Appeals Tribunal titled “Recognising Their Sacrifice” made in 2022, what is the progress and updated implementation timeline for each of the following recommendations:

- Memorial Clasp and accompanying scroll – to recognise the service-related death of a veteran;
- Gratitude Clasp, a lapel pin and accompanying scroll – to recognise serious wounding or injury suffered, or serious disease contracted or aggravated, by a veteran in or as a result of service;
- Memorial Star and accompanying scroll – to recognise the sacrifice of the family of a veteran whose death was service-related; and
- Gratitude Star and accompanying scroll – to recognise the sacrifice of a family of a veteran who suffered a serious wound or injury or contracted or aggravated a serious disease in or as a result of service.

Senator Ross Cadell – The Department of Defence provides the following answer to the Senator’s question:

The Government is considering the ‘Recognising their sacrifice’ inquiry report and its recommendations. Defence is unable to provide a timeline of when the Tribunal’s report and recommendations will be finalised.