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Subject: For vis: SCNS 33(a)(i) - Agenda [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]
Attachments: SCNS Agenda - s 33(a)(i) .pdf

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Hi all,

Please see attached the agenda for the SCNS meeting on s 33(a)(i) .

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,
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Secretaries Committee on National Security

Agenda

 10:00am – 12:00pm, **s 33(a)(i)**

s 47E(d)

One National Circuit, Barton

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Item	Time	Subject	s 34(3)	Lead/s	Co-optees
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Item	Time	Subject	s 34(3)	Lead/s	Co-optees
6.		s 22(1)(a)(ii)			
7.	15 min	Official Histories Project - Declassification Submission [Submission]	N/A	Defence	—
8.		s 22(1)(a)(ii)			

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Subject: For ref: SCNS s 33(a)(i) - Updated Agenda s. 22(1)(a)(ii) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]
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Hi Cameron, s 22(1)(a)(ii)

As per my email on low, please find below s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Very happy to chat further.

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Hi all,

Please find attached an updated version of the agenda for the SCNS meeting on s 33(a)(i) .

The following updates have been made:

- Official Histories Project - Declassification Submission has been removed from the agenda.

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Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii) International - Southeast Asia
Subject: RE: OHP vol. 2 [SEC=PROTECTED]
Date: Monday, 14 July 2025 3:54:47 PM
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Thanks ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

My read of the clearance process is that it envisages **s 47C**

I don't expect we'll have any major concerns regarding that change to the process, but will let you know if we do.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

Yes, I understand that the UN consultation element reflects sequencing per the attached procedures (paras 13&14) agreed between Defence and AWM.

I'll be in touch with anything further.

Best

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Subject: RE: OHP vol. 2 [SEC=PROTECTED]

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Thanks for the update. That's all consistent with what we've heard. PMC hasn't seen Defence's paper yet, but understand we should get it tomorrow.

That would be great if you could share your briefing in course.

From my discussion with s 22(1)(a)(ii) on Friday, **s 47C**

s 47C

I won't be working tomorrow, so s 22(1)(a)(ii) (copied) or the team inbox will be our best POC in my absence. Please do get in touch if anything else comes up.

Cheers

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Subject: OHP vol. 2 [SEC=PROTECTED]

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Good Afternoon s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I hope you and the family are doing well.

I am reaching out with a small update on the OHP vol.2 briefing for SCNS.

You are probably aware that SCNS has been scheduled for s 33(a)(i). We have heard informally that Defence will bring forward its paper on declassification of OHP vol.2. We have not received formal tasking from our CLO. We have a copy of Defence's (unfinalised) paper, and I am working on briefing to support Secretary Adams' engagement.

Subject to internal branch level review, I should be in a position to share TSB's early draft in the next day or so. If you have any insights to share, I'd be more than happy to receive them.
All the best

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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
To: Owens, Chris s 47E(d)
Subject: RE: OHP - SCNS update [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 15 July 2025 11:50:58 AM

OFFICIAL

Good morning Chris,

Seeking if you are in a position to share the SCNS paper on this one yet, even if still draft. I am managing our own internal clearance times for our Secretary (this Friday). It's early noting he is new into the role and seeking more time to ask questions of us.

Kind Regards

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Subject: RE: OHP - SCNS update [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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s 22(1)(a)(ii) - FYSA, on Friday I advised Prof Stockings that Volume 2 will s 33(a)(iii)

As you can see from the attached, Prof Stockings does not agree.

We'll take his feedback and double check our work on the s 47E(d) and update you on Monday.

s 33(a)(iii)

Chris

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Subject: RE: OHP - SCNS update [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Good morning Chris,

Apologies for the delayed response on this one. Based on advice yesterday, the next SCNS is likely to be scheduled for ^{s 33(a)(i)} We expect OHP to be listed.

Based on a requested 10 day submission timeline, I would expect the SCNS secretariate to reach out to Defence soon seeking papers next week.

I hope this helps in framing a timeline for you and the team.

Kind Regards

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Subject: Re: OHP - SCNS update [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thx ^{s 22(1)(a)} - do you have key dates that we need to work towards?

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On 23 Jun 2025, at 11:42 am, s. 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au wrote:

OFFICIAL

Good Morning Chris,

I hope you had a great weekend. Just a short note to inform you that we are close to reestablishing the routine of SCNS. The first SCNS is scheduled for^{s 33(a)(i)} and while we do not expect OHP to be in the first agenda, we would be expecting OHP to be on the second agenda. This means it could come forward in late July.

Noting below, not sure how much time Defence needs to ready for this. I will continue to keep you updated as I hear more.

Hope you have a great week.

Kind Regards

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Subject: Re: OHP - s 22(1)(a)(ii) & Chris [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi there - yes you can. Subject to we'll need time to consult internally. But that sounds reasonable.

Sent from my iPhone

On 5 Jun 2025, at 3:12 pm, s 22(1)(a)(ii) <s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

wrote:

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Good Afternoon Chris,

Thank you for the update below. Unfortunately we still do not have a clear picture on when the next SCNS is. We are not tracking one in June and are hopefully by July we might get back to normal.

s 34(3)

Please see attached a SCNS submission template. Please note that we ask agencies to submit their papers to all SCNS participants 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting.

Can I assume that Defence and DVA are now ready to bring forward OHP to SCNS. If so we can place you on the first SCNS agenda, subject to scheduling.

Kind Regards

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Afternoon ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} / s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Do you have an indication of SCNS dates? And therefore submission

dates? **s 34(3)** which is probably having an impact on SCNS dates.

Also –do you have a SCNS submission template we should use to prepare a paper?

Thank you

Chris

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OFFICIAL

Hi **s 22(1)(a)(ii)** and **s 22(1)(a)(ii)**

Thanks very much for the conversation just now.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I've provided a general update on Official Histories below.

I've copied in **s 22(1)(a)(ii)** and **s 22(1)(a)(ii)** from my team. **s 22(1)(a)(ii)** leads the Classified Records Reviews team and is our SME on all things histories. **s 22(1)(a)(ii)** is the Director.

Thanks – Chris

OHP status

1. **East Timor Vol 2 –**

1. The Defence's Classified Records Review (CRR) team is **s 33(a)(iii)**
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
2. This work should be completed in about a week.
3. I think it would be worth waiting for that work to be complete before we progress to SCNS.
4. This would enable a paper to come up to SCNS to provide the full context around the volume and then for SCNS to discuss next steps – **s 33(a)(iii)**
[REDACTED]
5. If/when you have an indication of SCNS dates, it would be good to get them, and also (given I'm new to Defence) understand your timelines for papers to be submitted.

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thank you. Can confirm I have this now.

Kind Regards

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I have shared a draft version with you on the s 47E(d) to the defence email address provided below.

Please let me know if it doesn't reach you.

Kind regards,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Subject: Re: UN Docs Vol. 2 East Timor [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thx ^{s 22(1)(a)(i)} I'm out of office, but ^{s 22(1)} will send to you on my behalf

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On 16 Jul 2025, at 8:10 am, [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) <\[s 22\\(1\\)\\(a\\)\\(ii\\) @pmc.gov.au\]\(#\)>](#) wrote:

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Good Morning Chris,

My details on the high side are [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)s 47E\(d\) .gov.au](#) or
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Kind Regards

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Subject: FW: UN Docs Vol. 2 East Timor [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} – apologies I didn't reply earlier.

Below is my most recent corro with Craig.

We have an early draft paper, which I can send to you on the ^{s 47E(d)}. I looked you up, but couldn't see you there?

Thanks

Chris

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Dear Chris,

My thanks for the message. It seems the advice we are receiving is at odds!

Please let us have a close look at the detailed instances you have sent through on the ^{s 47E(d)} first thing tomorrow. I will get back to you ASAP.

Warm regards

Craig

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Subject: RE: UN Docs Vol. 2 East Timor [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Hi Craig

Thank you very much for the below. However, notwithstanding your **s 33(a)(iii)**

s 33(a)(iii)

In terms of next steps, we have been asked to finalise our submission to SCNS by COB tomorrow ahead of the **s 33(a)(i)**. However, based on the information we currently have **s 47C**

I think we have two options:

1. We proceed with SCNS considering Volume 2 at the **s 33(a)(i)** – noting, I expect **s 47C**
2. We delay SCNS consideration to the next meeting (late August) so that Defence / OHP can discuss these outstanding issues. (**s 47C**).

Before replying, it might be best to consider / respond to my email on the ^{s 47E(d)}, as I think this provides practical examples to work through.

I'm sorry that this isn't where I thought we would land. I was keen to get Volume 2 to SCNS so you could move forward. **s 33(a)(iii)**

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Thank you

Chris

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Dear Chris,

I hope you are well.

s 33(a)(iii)

s 33(a)(iii)

Standing by to discuss if needed. Further, s 22(1)(a)(ii) can walk s 22(1)(a)(ii) through each and every one if you need assurance.

Kind regards

Craig

Professor Craig Stockings

Head of School, Humanities and Social Sciences, UNSW Canberra
Official Historian of Australian Operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, and Australian
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Attachments: SCNS - Meeting Paper- s 33(a)(i) DFAT TSB comments.docx

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I returned comments on an earlier brief on Monday afternoon, I understand an updated brief will be circulated ... imminently.

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Thanks ~~s 22(1)(a)(ii)~~ appreciate the visibility.

We still haven't seen Defence's paper.

Cheers, ~~s 22(1)(a)(ii)~~

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Please see attached copy of the uncleared SCNS brief. I am sending through ahead of clearance to aid your visibility of our approach, as timings have slipped a little.

Happy to discuss

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Subject: RE: Agenda - SCNS **s 33(a)(i)** [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]
Attachments: SCNS Agenda - **s 33(a)(i)** - v2.pdf

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Dear colleagues

Please find the updated agenda attached. Current status of supporting papers as follows:

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

- Items 8 **s 22(1)(a)(ii)** papers: Expected to be circulated tomorrow.

s 22(1)(a)(ii) . Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions – many thanks all.

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Dear colleagues

Please find attached the agenda for the SCNS meeting on Wednesday s 33(a)(i). We will confirm co-optees shortly.

In the interim, please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions.

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Secretaries Committee on National Security

Agenda

10:00am – 12:00pm, ~~s 33(a)(i)~~~~s 47E(d)~~ , One National Circuit, Barton*Timings against each item are indicative only and may not sum to two hours.*

Item	Time	Subject	s 34(3)	Lead/s	Co-optees
1.		s 22(1)(a)(ii)			
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Item	Time	Subject	s 34(a)	Lead/s	Co-optees
7.		s 22(1)(a)(ii)			
8.	10 min	Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission [Paper]	N/A	Defence	—
9.		s 22(1)(a)(ii)			
10.	5 min	Other Business	N/A	PM&C	—

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Sent: Friday, 18 July 2025 10:34 AM

To: SCNS/DSCNS

Cc: CLS Cabinet Liaison

Subject: s 34(a) SCNS - Official Histories Project - Declassification Submission - Meeting Paper & Attachments [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

Attachments: SCNS - Official Histories Project - Declassification Submission - Meeting Paper.docx; A - Summary of Official History Project status.pdf; B - **s 33(a)(iii)**; C - **s. 33(a)(iii)**; D - **s 33(a)(iii)**; E - **s 33(a)(iii)**

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Good morning **s 22(1)(a)(ii)**

Please find the following papers for the **s 33(a)(i)** SCNS:

- SCNS - Official Histories Project - Declassification Submission - Meeting Paper
 - A - Summary of Official History Project status
 - B - **s 33(a)(iii)**
 - C - **s 33(a)(iii)**
 - D - **s 33(a)(iii)**
 - E - **s 33(a)(iii)**

Please note, Attachment F **s 33(a)(iii)**

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Official History Project update

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East Timor Volume 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SCNS consideration on s 33(a)(i)s 47C

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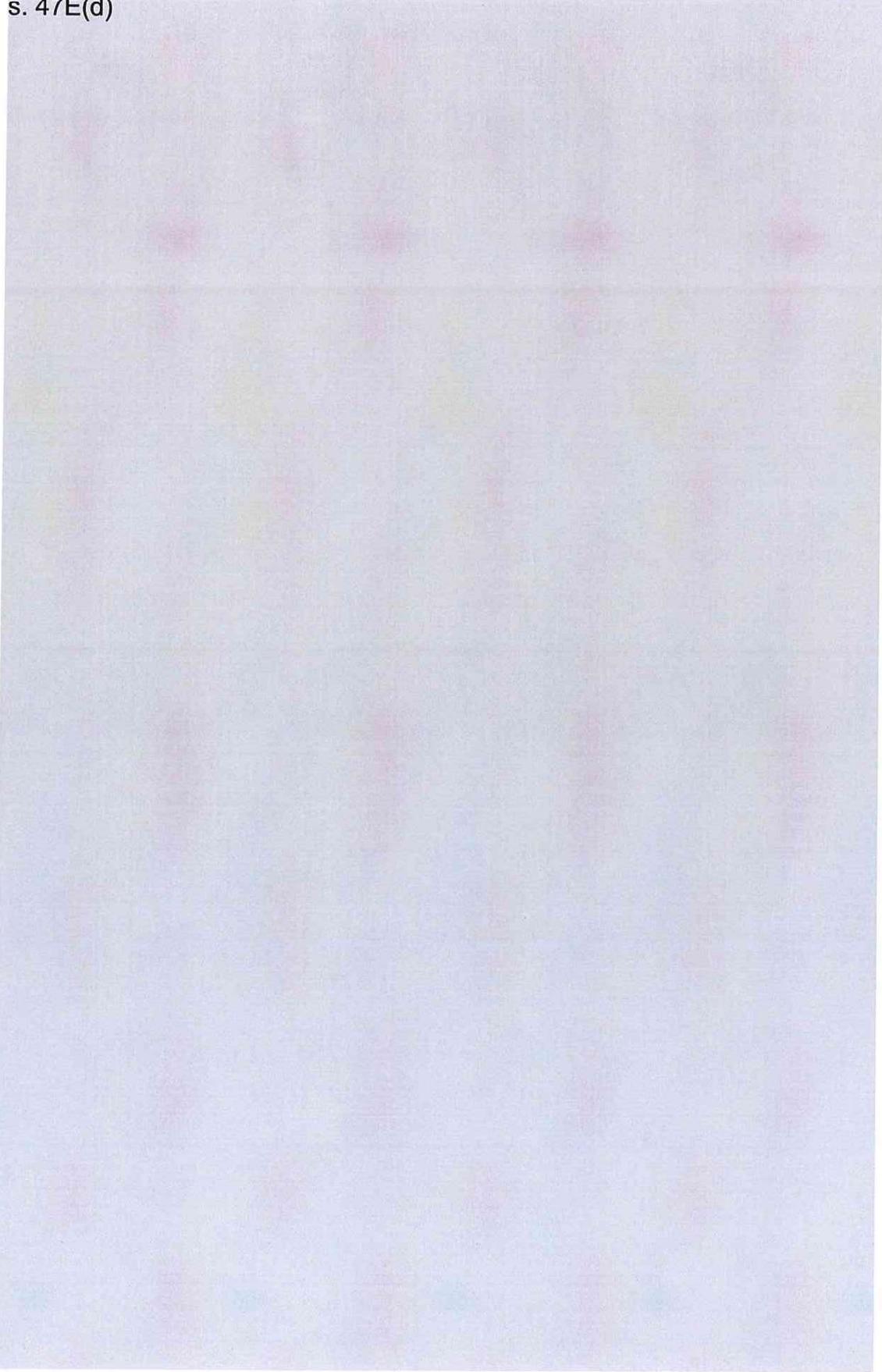
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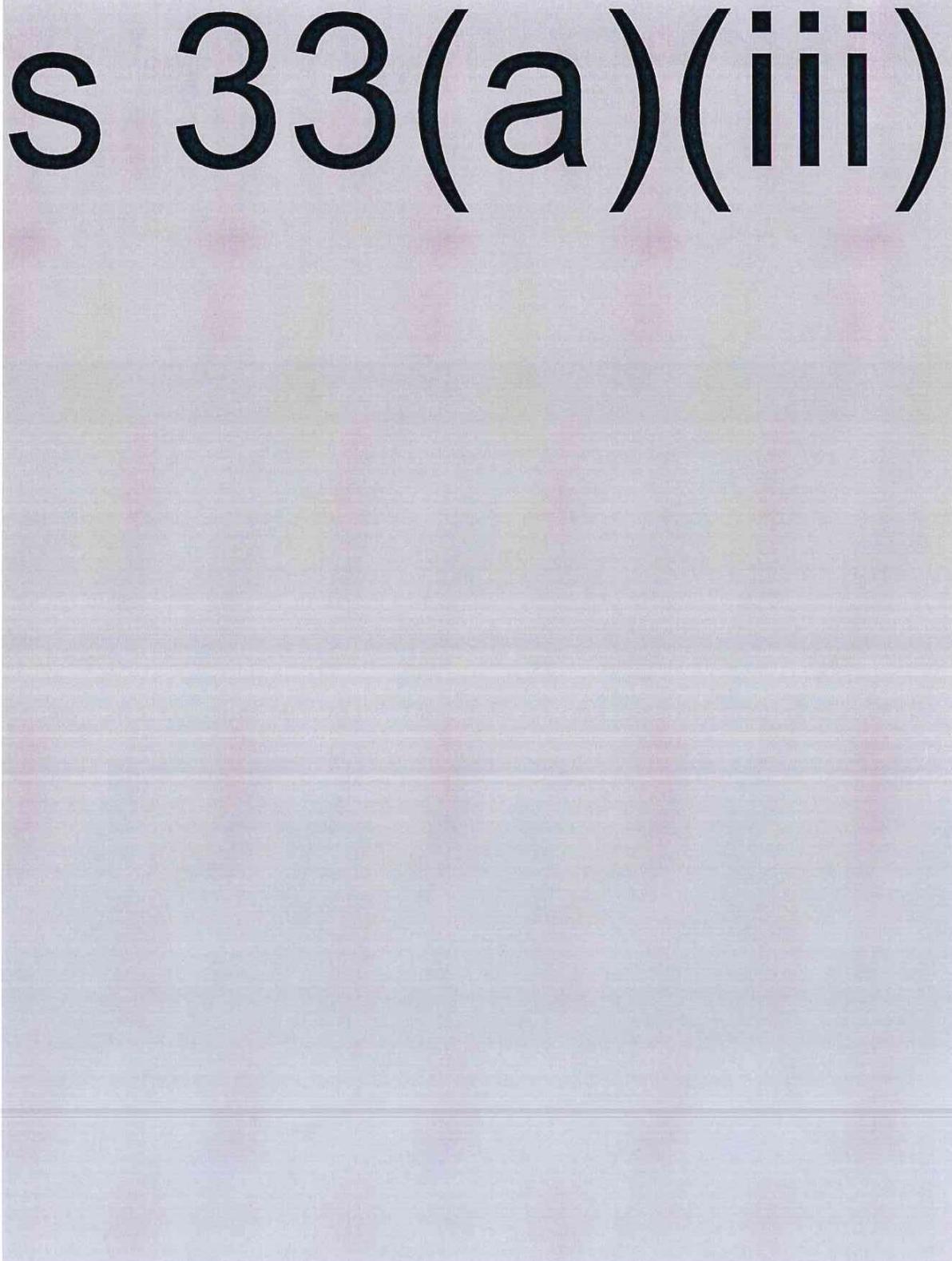
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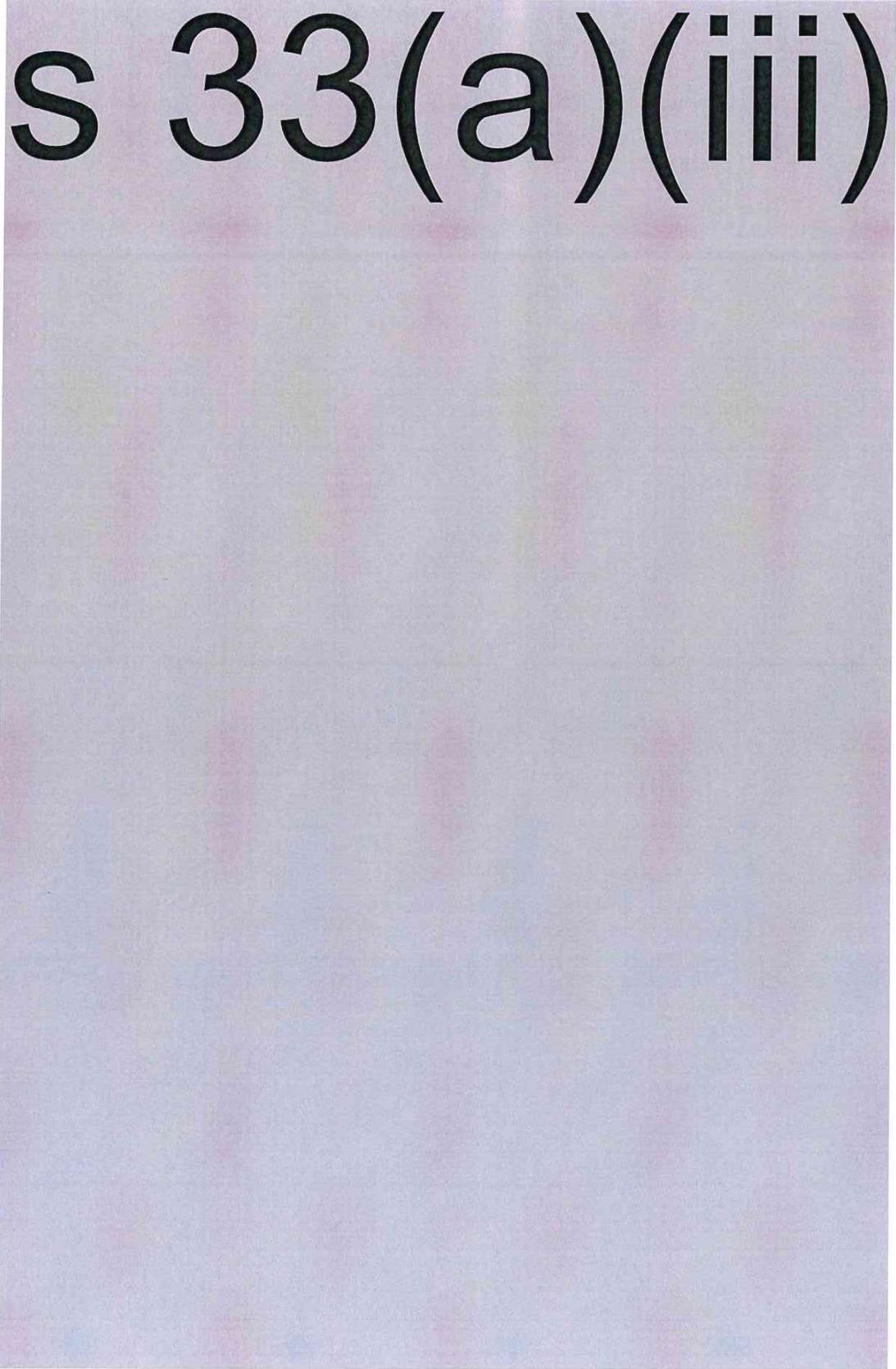
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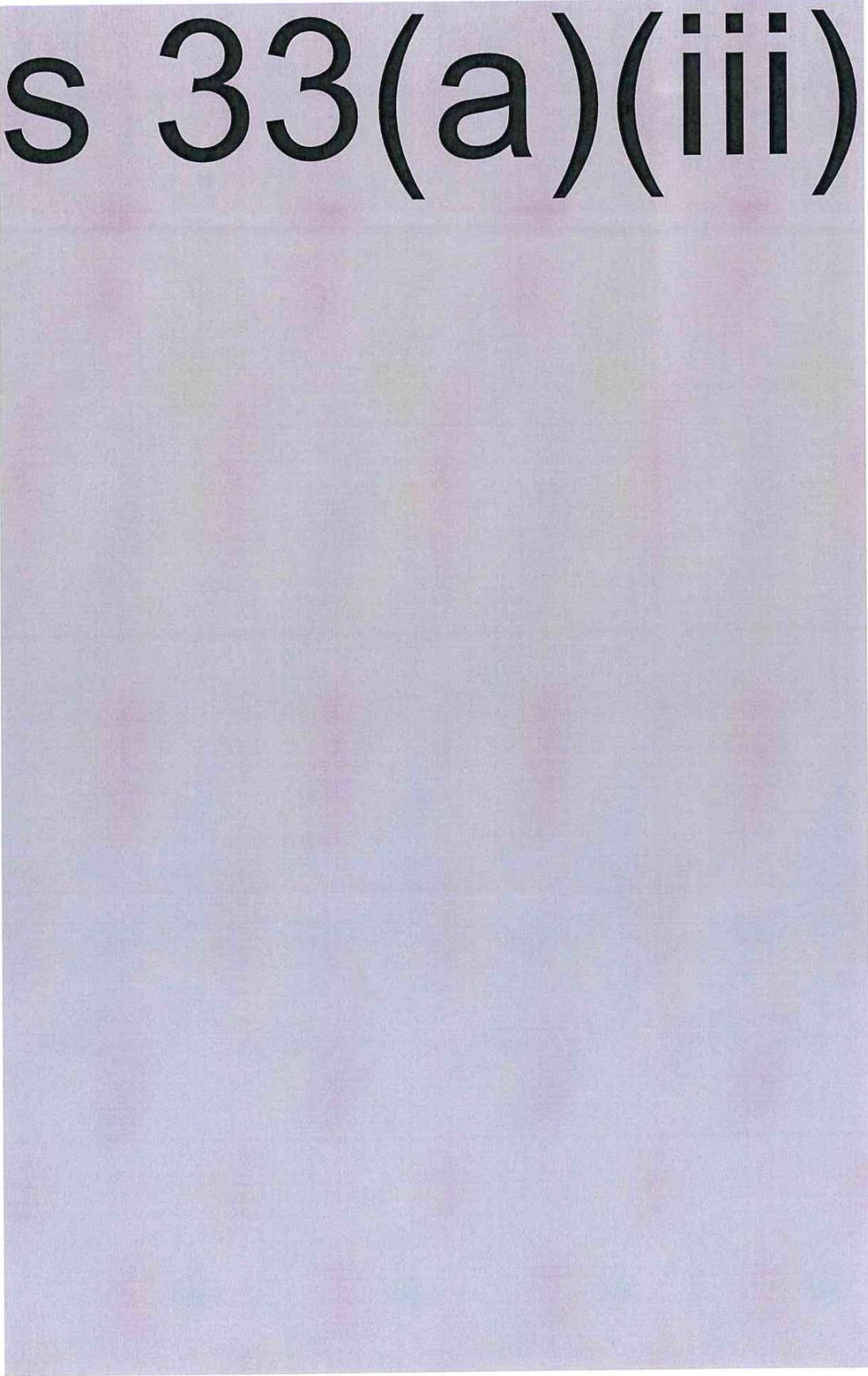
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Subject: SCNS Papers - S 33(a)(i) (Item 8 ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]
Attachments: 8. SCNS Meeting Paper - S 33(a)(i) - Official Histories Project - Declassification Submission.pdf; 8a. SCNS Meeting Paper - S 33(a)(i) - Summary of Official History Project status.pdf; 8b. SCNS Meeting Paper - S 33(a)(i) - S 33(a)(iii) SCNS Meeting Paper - S 33(a)(i) - S 47E(d) Meeting Paper - S 33(a)(i) - S 33(a)(iii); 8c. ; 8d. SCNS Meeting Paper - S 33(a)(i) - S 33(a)(iii); 8e. SCNS Meeting Paper - S 33(a)(i) s 33(a)(iii) ; s 22(1)(a)(ii) .pdf

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Hi all,

Please find attached the following SCNS Papers:

- Item 8: Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission (led by Defence)
 - SCNS Meeting Paper – Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission
 - Attachment A - Summary of Official History Project status
 - Attachment B - S 33(a)(iii)
 - Attachment C - S 33(a)(iii)
 - Attachment D - S 33(a)(iii)
 - Attachment E - S 33(a)(iii)

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Item 8: Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission – Attachment F – S 33(a)(iii)

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Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,
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Dear colleagues

Please find the updated agenda attached. Current status of supporting papers as follows:

S 22(1)(a)(ii)

- Items 8^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} papers: Expected to be circulated tomorrow.

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questions – many thanks all.

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Dear colleagues

Please find attached the agenda for the SCNS meeting on s 33(a)(i) . We will confirm co-optees shortly.

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Pls see attached cleared SCNS paper on this topic.

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Kind Regards

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Kind Regards,

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Apologies – slight attachment error. Corrected here.

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From: Owens, Chris ^{s 47E(d)}
Sent: Thursday, 17 July 2025 12:14 PM
To: ~~s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) r@defence.gov.au; s 22(1)(a)(ii)~~
~~s 22(1)(a)(ii) @defence.gov.au~~
Cc: ~~s 22(1)(a)(ii) <s 22(1)(a)(ii) [@defence.gov.au>](mailto:@defence.gov.au)~~
Subject: RE: Draft - SCNS - Official Histories -s 33(a)(i) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(i)} – apologies for the delay.

Please find attached our updated draft. This is currently going through Dep Sec clearance.

s 33(a)(iii)

We'll come back to you once that is done.

Chris

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Sent: Wednesday, 16 July 2025 12:49 PM
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Cc: Owens, Chris ^{s 47E(d)} <~~s 22(1)(a)(ii) [@defence.gov.au>](mailto:@defence.gov.au)~~; s 22(1)(a)(ii) <~~s 22(1)(a)(ii) [@defence.gov.au>](mailto:@defence.gov.au)~~
Subject: RE: Draft - SCNS - Official Histories -s 33(a)(i) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Good Afternoon ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

Thank you for sending through the brief. We have one question in relation to the UN and this [links](#) to the emails on the low side.

To get a clear understanding of the direct linkages as referred to on the low side to [Craig Stockings](#), was seeking if that high side email could be shared with me.

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Happy to discuss if there are going to be issues with the sharing.

Kind regards

s 22(1)(b)

s 22(1)(a)(ii) | Acting Assistant Secretary
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Sent: Wednesday, 16 July 2025 11:10 AM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) ^{s 22(1)(a)(b)} s 22(1)(a)(ii) [@defence.gov.au>](mailto:@defence.gov.au)

Cc: Owens, Chris ^{s 47E(d)} <[s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)@defence.gov.au](mailto:s 22(1)(a)(ii)@defence.gov.au)>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) ^{s 22(1)(a)(b)} [@defence.gov.au>](mailto:@defence.gov.au)

Subject: Draft - SCNS - Official Histories - s 33(a)(i) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Good morning ^{s 22(1)(b)},

Sharing a draft version of the SCNS Official Histories paper.

Kind regards

s 22(1)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)
A/g Director FOI Governance and Classified Records Review
Media and Information Disclosure Branch
Ministerial & Executive Coordination and Communication Division
Department of Defence

Tel: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Mob: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: SCNS/DSCNS <**s 47E(d)s 47E(d)dfat.gov.au**>

Sent: Tuesday, 29 July 2025 4:13 PM

To:

s 33(a)(i)

Cc: DM PMC-OPI

Subject: Record of Outcomes: SCNS **s 33(a)(i)** [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

Attachments: SCNS Record of Outcomes -**s 33(a)(i).pdf**

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Dear colleagues

Please find attached the Record of Outcomes for SCNS on **s 33(a)(i)**. **s 22(1)(a)(ii)**

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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From: SCNS/DSNS

Sent: Tuesday, 22 July 2025 4:51 PM

To: **s 33(a)(i)**

s 33(a)(i)

Cc: DM PMC-OPIS **47E(d)** | **s 47E(d)dfat.gov.au**

Subject: RE: Updated Agenda: SCNS **s 22(1)(a)(ii)** [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Dear colleagues

Please find attached the updated agenda for **s 33(a)(i)** SCNS meeting. There are no **substantive changes** to the agenda items.

The updates are as follows:

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions. Many thanks all.

s 22(1)(a)(i)

[redacted] (she/her)

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From: SCNS/DSNS

Sent: Monday, 21 July 2025 5:14 PM

To:

s 33(a)(i)

Cc: DM PMC-OPI <S 47E(d) s 47E(d) dfat.gov.au>

Subject: s 22(1)(a)(ii)s for SCNS S 33(a)(i) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Dear colleagues

As foreshadowed, please find attached the s 22(1)(a)(ii) ahead of s 34(a).

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions. Many thanks all.

s 22(1)(a)(i)

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From: SCNS/DSNS

Sent: Friday, 18 July 2025 12:50 PM

To: s 33(a)(i)

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Cc: DM PMC-OPI <S 47E(d)
s 47E(d) dfat.gov.au>; DM PMC-NSDExec <S 47E(d)
@dfathigh.dfat.gov.au>

Subject: RE: OHP Att F - Part 6/6 [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Hi all,

As foreshadowed, please find attached Official Histories Project Attachment F Part 6 of 6.

Kind regards,
s 22(1)(a)(ii) | Adviser
Office of Policy Integration | National Security Division
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) <s 22(1)(a)(ii)s 47E(d) dfat.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 18 July 2025 12:33 PM

To: s 33(a)(i)

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Cc: DM PMC-OPIS 47E(d)
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Subject: SCNS Papers - s 33(a)(i) (Item 8 ^{s. 22(1)(a)(ii)}) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Hi all,

Please find attached the following SCNS Papers:

- Item 8: Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission (led by Defence)
 - SCNS Meeting Paper – Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission
 - Attachment A - Summary of Official History Project status

- Attachment B - s 33(a)(iii)
- Attachment C s 47E(d)
- Attachment D - s 33(a)(iii)
- Attachment E - s 33(a)(iii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Item 8: Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission – Attachment F – s 33(a)(iii)

Due to the size, these emails may not arrive immediately but please reach out if you have not received them all by 3pm today. PM&C will print a few copies of the Attachment F and place these in the SCNS room for SCNS members to share – so please do not feel that you need to print for principals, though you are, of course, welcome to do so.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,

s 22(1)(a)(ii) Adviser

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From: SCNS/DSNS <s 47E(d)s 47E(d) dfat.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 17 July 2025 5:47 PM

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Cc: 'Cabinet Division' s 47E(d) [@pmc.secret.gov.au>; Morony, Kendra A <s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\)>; HEATH, CAMERON W <s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\)>; National Security Division Executive Support <s 47E\(d\) s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\)>; s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\); DM PMC-OPI <s 47E\(d\) s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\)>; s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\); s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) <s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\)>
Subject: RE: Agenda - SCNS s 33\(a\)\(i\) \[SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO\]](mailto:@pmc.secret.gov.au)

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Dear colleagues

Please find the updated agenda attached. Current status of supporting papers as follows:

- s 22(1)(a)(ii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

- Items 8 ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} papers: Expected to be circulated tomorrow.

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any

questions – many thanks all.

^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

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From: SCNS/DSNS

Sent: Tuesday, 15 July 2025 2:57 PM

To:

s 33(a)(i)

Cc: 'Cabinet Division' <s 47E(d) [@pmc.secret.gov.au>; Morony, Kendra A <s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)'s 47E\(d\) \[dfat.gov.au>; HEATH, CAMERON W <s 22\\(1\\)\\(a\\)\\(ii\\) s 47E\\(d\\) \\[dfat.gov.au>; National Security Division Executive Support <s 47E\\\(d\\\) s 47E\\\(d\\\) \\\[dfat.gov.au>; s 22\\\\(1\\\\)\\\\(a\\\\)\\\\(ii\\\\) s 22\\\\(1\\\\)\\\\(a\\\\)\\\\(ii\\\\) s 47E\\\\(d\\\\) \\\\[dfat.gov.au>; DM PMC-OPI <s 47E\\\\\(d\\\\\) s 47E\\\\\(d\\\\\) \\\\\[dfat.gov.au>; s 22\\\\\\(1\\\\\\)\\\\\\(a\\\\\\)\\\\\\(ii\\\\\\) s 47E\\\\\\(d\\\\\\) \\\\\\[dfat.gov.au>; s 22\\\\\\\(1\\\\\\\)\\\\\\\(a\\\\\\\)\\\\\\\(ii\\\\\\\) s 22\\\\\\\(1\\\\\\\)\\\\\\\(a\\\\\\\)\\\\\\\(ii\\\\\\\)s 47E\\\\\\\(d\\\\\\\) \\\\\\\[dfat.gov.au>\\\\\\\]\\\\\\\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\\\\\\\)\\\\\\]\\\\\\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\\\\\\)\\\\\]\\\\\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\\\\\)\\\\]\\\\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\\\\)\\\]\\\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\\\)\\]\\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\\)\]\(mailto:dfat.gov.au\)](mailto:@pmc.secret.gov.au)

Subject: Agenda - SCNS 33(a)(i) [SEC=SECRET, CAVEAT=RI:AUSTEO]

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Dear colleagues

Please find attached the agenda for the SCNS meeting on s 33(a)(i) . We will confirm co-optees shortly.

In the interim, please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions.

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Secretaries Committee on National Security

Record of Outcomes

10:00am – 12:00pm, ~~s 33(a)(i)~~~~s 47E(d)~~

One National Circuit, Barton

Agenda Item	Subject	Lead/s
	<h1>s 22(1)(a)(ii)</h1>	

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8	Official Histories Project – Declassification Submission [Paper]	Defence
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The Committee:

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Co-optees: Nil

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

RECORD OF OUTCOMES PREPARATION

Agenda Item	Content drafted by <i>(notetaker in meeting)</i>
1-10	s 22(1)(a)(ii) Director, Office of Policy Integration

MEETING ATTENDEES – SCNS MEMBERS

Attendee	Title
S 33(a)(i)	

MEETING ATTENDEES – CO-OPTEES

Attendee	Title	Agenda Item
s 22(1)(a)(ii)		

MEETING ATTENDEES – NOTETAKERS

Attendee	Title
Kendra Morony	First Assistant Secretary, National Security <i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>
Pablo Kang	First Assistant Secretary, International <i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>
s 22(1)(a)(ii)	Director, Office of Policy Integration <i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>