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## DFRDB UPDATE – JUNE 2026

We have taken two significant steps this month to escalate long-standing concerns about ADF superannuation and the Government's continued inaction.

### Letter to Chief of Personnel

First, we wrote to Lieutenant General Natasha Fox, Chief of Personnel, [click here to view](#), outlining CPERS' responsibility to ensure that ADF conditions of service, including superannuation, remain fair, fit for purpose, and aligned with the unique risks of military life. The letter highlighted that:

- systemic flaws across all ADF schemes have persisted since 1948,
- CPERS has a duty to advise government when conditions of service no longer match what members were promised, and
- the Senate Committee's four recommendations on fairness, indexation, definitions of spouse/dependant, and MSBS rollover rights remain unaddressed.

We asked CPERS to raise this directly with Minister Marles and to push for overdue action.

### Letter to Mr Phil Thompson OAM MP

Second, we wrote to Mr Phil Thompson OAM MP, [click here to view](#), commending his advocacy and urging him to press the Government to schedule parliamentary debate on the Senate Committee's report. We stressed that:

- 90 days have passed with no Government response,
- veterans deserve clarity on who is responsible for military superannuation policy, and
- modest, fair reforms should not be blocked by bureaucratic inertia or cost arguments, especially with the Future Fund in place.

Both letters reinforce the same message: **after decades of inquiries and unimplemented recommendations, veterans cannot be expected to wait any longer.**

We will continue driving this issue at the highest levels and keep you informed as responses are received.

Kind regards,

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President