



Specialist Medical Review Council

Declarations

Section 196W
Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986

Re: Statements of Principles Nos. 245 and 246 of 1995
Matter No. 95/2

1. The Specialist Medical Review Council ('the Review Council') established pursuant to Part X1B of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* ('the Act'), having reviewed the contents of the Statements of Principles numbered 245 and 246 of the 1995 made under section 196B of the Act by the Repatriation Medical Authority ('RMA') established under Part X1A of the Act, HEREBY DECLARES

- a) that it is of the view that the sound medical-scientific evidence available to the RMA at the time it made the Statement of Principles No 245 of 1995 is insufficient to justify the making of an amendment to that Statement of Principles;
- b) that it is of the view that the sound medical-scientific evidence available to the RMA at the time it made the Statement of Principles No 246 of 1995 is insufficient to justify the making of an amendment to that Statement of Principles;
- c) that it recommends however that the RMA further investigate exposure to solvents as a possible factor for the purposes of subsections 196B(2) and 196B(3) of the Act, having regard to the reasons for decision of the Review Council in its review of the above Statements of Principles, the information that was available to the RMA when it made

those Statements together with any further information which has since become available to the RMA and which may become available between the date of this Declaration and the completion by the RMA of its investigation.

Dated this *26th* day of *October* 1996

Alex Cohen.

Alex Cohen
Convener

E Byrne

Edward Byrne
Councillor

DB Williams

David Williams
Councillor

The Common Seal of the)
Specialist Medical Review)
Council was affixed to this)
document by authority of the)
Council in the presence of:)



John Douglas
Registrar

Affixed

John Douglas
6/11/96