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Dear Ms Spence

Regulation Impact Statement – Second Pass Assessment – Airspace Regulations 2007

Thank you for your letter received 5 September 2022 submitting a Regulation Impact Statement (RIS) for formal Second Pass Final Assessment.

The Office of Best Practice Regulation's (OBPR's) assessment is that the quality of the regulatory impact analysis in the RIS is adequate and therefore sufficient to inform a decision. The RIS provides a good summary of the operations of Australian Defence Force with regards to Australian administered airspace and the need to accommodate training in a safe manner. In particular, the RIS problem section was of a high quality and the RIS sufficiently quantifies costs and benefits of the preferred option.

To be considered 'good practice' as per the *Australian Government Guide to Regulatory Impact Analysis*, the RIS would have benefitted from a more robust consultation section analysing stakeholder feedback and noting the motivation for consultation. Additionally, increased analysis of direct and indirect impacts within options 1 and 2 would have elevated the assessed rating of the RIS.

The RIS may now be provided to the decision-maker to inform a final decision. We would appreciate you advising us when a final decision has been announced and forwarding a copy of the RIS in a form meeting the Government's accessibility requirements. The OBPR will publish the RIS, along with your certification and this assessment, on the OBPR's website <https://obpr.pmc.gov.au/>.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Lange', with a large, stylized flourish above the name.

Jason Lange
Executive Director
13 September 2022