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### ATTENDANCE OF 33 ARMY CADET UNIT AT THE WANGARATTA RSL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE, 11TH NOVEMBER 2022

Thank you for attending with the Army Cadets at the Remembrance Day Service last Friday. We were only expecting four Cadets so were quite surprised by the size of the contingent which attended.

I have been advised by my Ceremonial Officer, Liz Rouse Salmon, that as she moved around the Cenotaph to ensure everything was in order, she noticed that there was one Cadet who was acting as the 'Medic'. Not only was this Cadet not feeling well herself, but there was also no equipment such as a First Aid Kit, spare water, a ground sheet for any unwell Cadets to sit on if they had to fall out, nor any other form of seating. She also noticed that the firefighters from the Wangaratta Fire Station went to the assistance of the one Cadet who was trying to assist four others who became unwell.

My concern is that the Cadets should have had a trained First Aider in attendance at the First Aid Post, and that there should be equipment to support the First Aider. This is to be the minimum requirement in future.

As the Remembrance Day Service is conducted by the RSL, the safety of ALL persons is of the utmost importance to me. We run the risk not only to the health of the Cadets in attendance, but also to the reputation of the RSL and the Cadet Unit.

Let me know if you need any assistance relating to Army Cadets attending at future activities at the Cenotaph.

I would appreciate a response to this letter by 28th November 2022.

Yours sincerely

Lt Gen Ash Power AO, CSC (Retd) President