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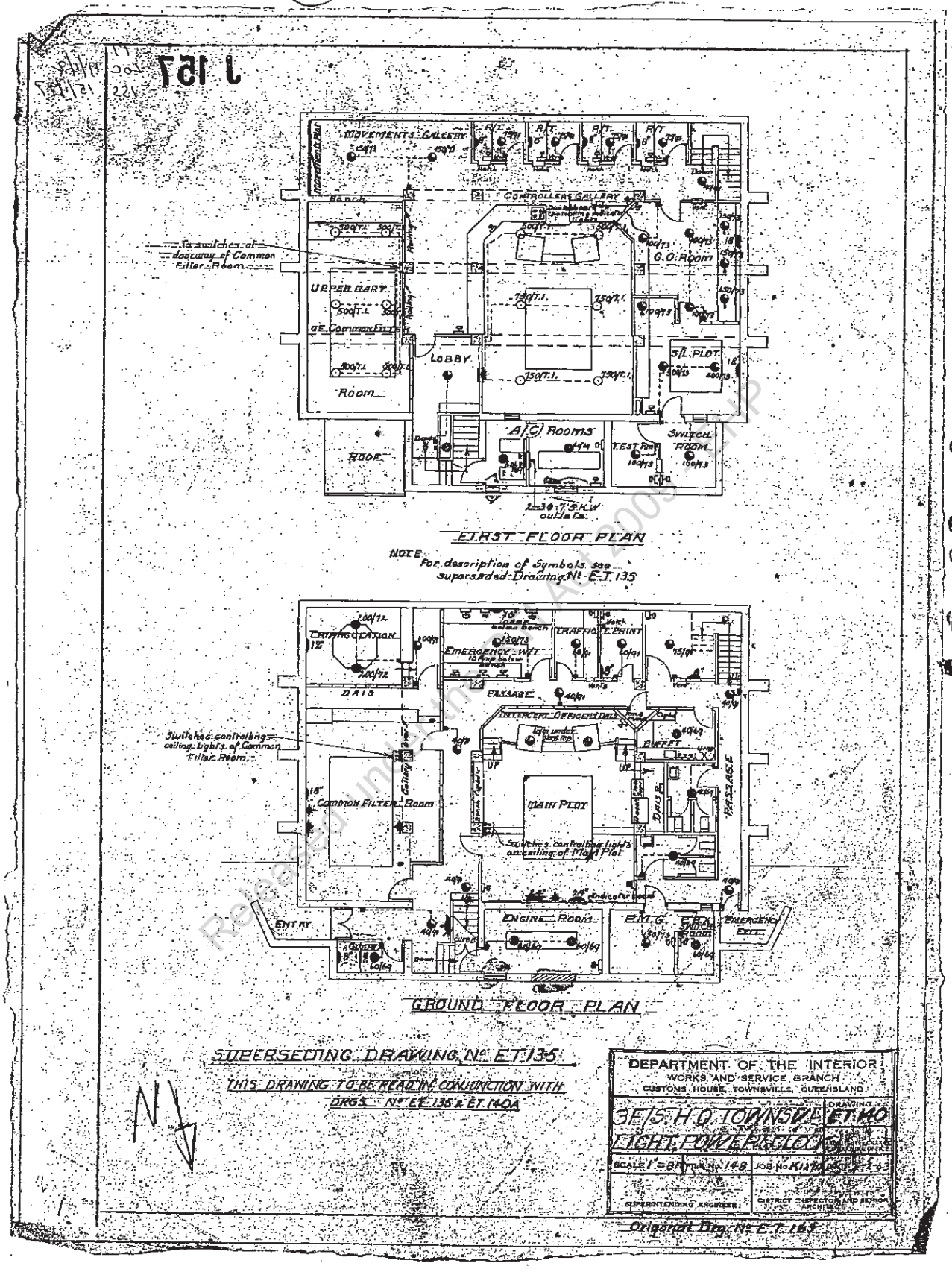
6. RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector HQ Main Plot, Filter Rooms and Galleries, Townsville.

'3 F/S HQ, Townsville. Light, Power & Clocks'

AA (Qld), BP378/1, J157, Drawing ET140, 2 February 1943.



Note position of windows (less wall of stairwell)

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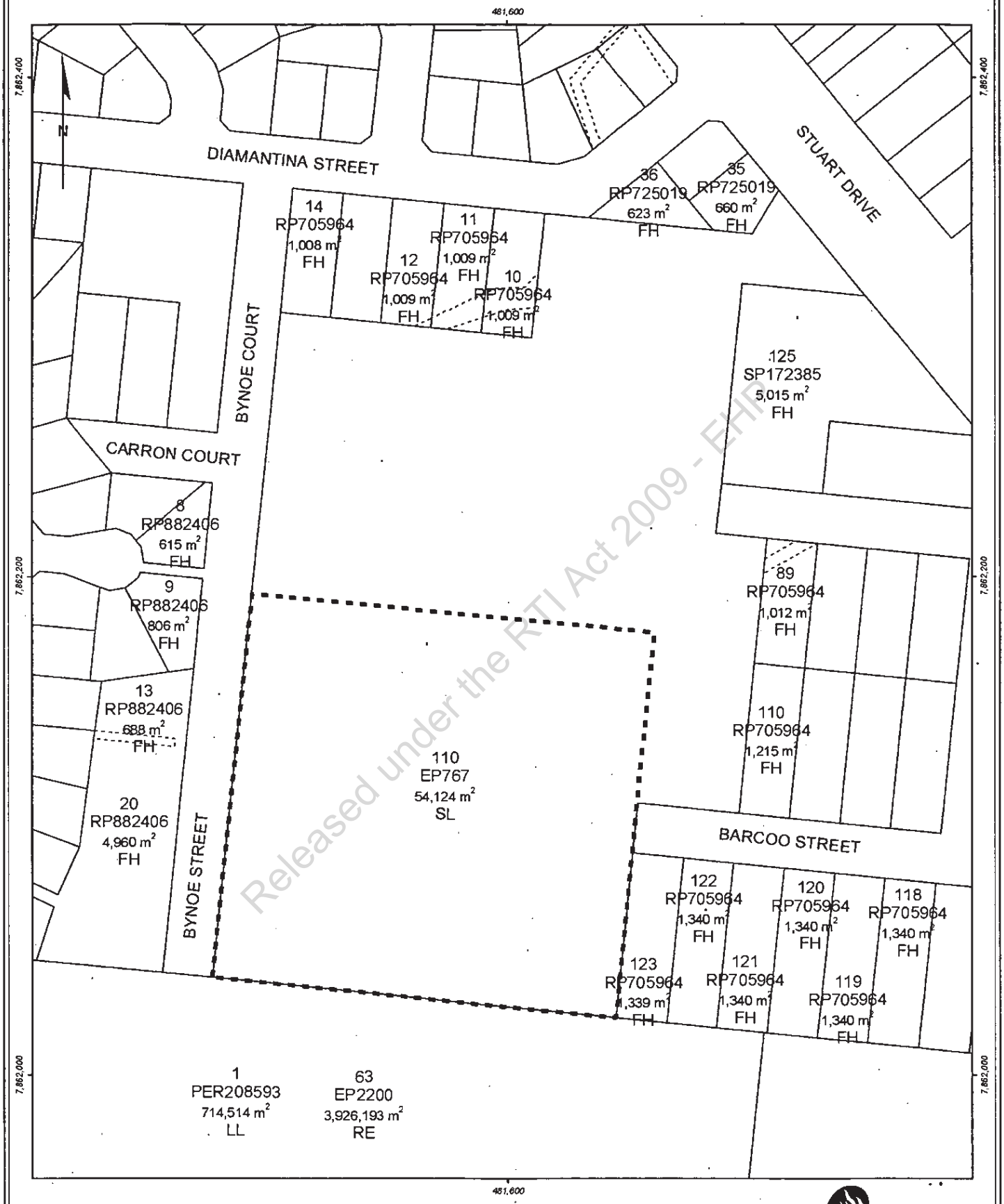

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Off Stuart Drive		
Near Town Indicator		⌐
Town / Suburb		STUART
Postcode		4811
First Boundary Street		Off Stuart Drive
Second Boundary Street		
Third Boundary Street		
Locality Description		
LGA		TOWNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Context Study Region		North Region
Lot	Plan	LGA
110	EP767	TOWNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Owner	Department of Environment and Resource Management	

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Criteria	Description
Criterion A	The Former Operations and Signals Bunker at Stuart, constructed in 1942-3, is significant as the former Headquarters of the Operations Section of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ), who controlled fighter operations and anti-aircraft defences through North Queensland and New Guinea. Occupied by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) in January 1945, the Former Operations and Signals Bunker played a pivotal role as the key communications centre for Allied Air Forces, operating out of Townsville during the final months of the Pacific War. The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is one of a number of WWII structures and complexes which survive in the Townsville area, demonstrating the substantial role the region, and particularly Townsville, played in the war in the Pacific.
Criterion C	Surrounding the bunker are remnants and material scatter from other structures of the complex, which have the potential to yield further information which will contribute to the understanding of the site.

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Criterion D	The exterior of the concrete bunker is a substantially intact example of its type and retains evidence of the camouflage paint scheme. Part of the fuse and telephone cable board is the only internal equipment to survive.
Criterion G	The Former Operations and Signals Bunker During has special association for the numbers of European migrants who were accommodated in the complex after WWII, many of whom have remained in North Queensland. The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is also associated with James Cook University, when, during the 1960s, in the foundation years of University, the complex was used as temporary halls of residence for students.

History:

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker(3FSHQ) was constructed between 1942 and 1944 for No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters. Soon after moving to the site in late 1944 the operations of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters was subsumed into Air Defence Headquarters operations.

The increase in Japanese military activity in Asia in the late 1930s led the Australian Government to establish air bases in the north of Australia. The Department of Defence began negotiations with the Townsville City Council to transfer the Garbutt aerodrome to the Commonwealth in early 1939. The acquisition was completed on 12 December 1940 and construction of three, 5000 ft, sealed runways began in 1941.

Japanese military activity in the Pacific region increased after the bombing of Pearl Harbour on 7 December, 1941. Faced with the threat of invasion the Australian and American Governments began to develop a major military base in the Townsville Region.

The Garbutt runways, designed for B17 bombers, were completed in February 1942, just prior to the arrival of units of the 5th Air Force, United States Army Air Force. Additional bomber bases were established at Charters Towers and Cloncurry and a number of airstrips for fighter aircraft were constructed between Townsville and Charters Towers.

3FSHQ was first established in temporary accommodation at Townsville Grammar School on 25 February 1942. 3FSHQ Townsville was formed to support airborne units located in the North Queensland area. As the war extended to the islands north of New Guinea, its operational area enlarged to cover the area stretching from Rockhampton in the south to Mount Isa in the west and New Guinea in the north. 3FSHQ controlled fighter squadron operations and coordinated anti-aircraft defences. Radio watches for bomber and reconnaissance aircraft were also maintained from the Operations Centre.

3FSHQ was also connected by telephone and radio to anti-aircraft guns and searchlights, and with RDF stations and high frequency direction finding

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(HF/DF) stations in the Townsville and Charters Towers area. The role of high frequency directional radio stations was to assist fighter pilots to get their bearings during airborne patrols. The station was linked by telephone to RAAF Headquarters in Melbourne and was responsible for keeping the RAAF Command informed of all developments. The Operations Centre was also responsible for activating air raid warnings. It also provided position plots for courier and civil aircraft operating between Brisbane and New Guinea.

While 3FSHQ was located at the Grammar School from 1942 to 1944 the location was not ideal because it was vulnerable to air attack. Planning for the construction of a new Fighter Sector Headquarters began in 1942. The new complex was constructed on the lower, eastern slopes of Mt Stuart on 68 acres of land requisitioned by the Commonwealth in August 1942. The site was regarded as ideal as it was some distance from the main airfields and the public eye, but still close enough to the various other installations it liaised with. In the event of an enemy raid, its position was such that it would have been difficult to attack, and the area's natural camouflage would have made it difficult to locate.

Construction of the complex began in late 1942 with the Operations and Signals Bunker ready by early 1943. However, by November 1943 the bunker, identified as a semi-underground building because all cabling was laid underground, was not yet occupied because associated accommodation facilities had not been completed. The delay related to the fact that the complex was located some distance from the airfield and there was some question as to whether the facility could provide briefing to air crews in an adequate time frame. Eventually the site become operational in late 1944.

The bunker itself was fully airconditioned and housed its own power plant. The interior had a steel mezzanine floor splitting it into two levels and was divided into 32 rooms and passage ways by caneite partitions. Located within the building was the Operations Room, Engine Room, RDF Filter Room, Voluntary Air Observer Corp (VAOC) Liaison Room, Main Operations Room Dais, Aircraft Movements Section, RDF Supervisors Room, Signal Officers Room, W/T Workshop and PMG Switch Room.

The Administration Section was also moved to the Stuart site and commenced functioning on 29 December 1944. On 25 January 1945 the Royal Australian Airforce established their Air Defence Headquarters in the Stuart complex; from where they operated until 1947.

The complex, except for the bunker, was utilised after the war as an immigration depot and migrant hostel. Additional huts were placed on the site to provide more accommodation for migrants who arrived in large numbers after the war. Many of these migrants have made their homes in North Queensland.

In 1961 James Cook University of North Queensland purchased the site for student accommodation while the residential halls at Douglas were under construction. The bunker was still partially furnished at the time the property

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was purchased by the university. There was a large mapping table in the main room complete with maps and maps on the wall still had marker pins in them. The switchboards and other communication equipment were still largely intact. Photographs, taken at the time, were deposited with the university.

Soon after, in 1962 or 1963, the interior of the bunker was destroyed by fire. In the early 1970s the site was vacated and the barracks either demolished or removed. The property is still under the control of the university although the bunker is the only remaining structure on the site.

Description:

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is a rectangular two-storeyed concrete bunker set into the hillside at the base of Mt Stuart. The site is set back from Stuart Drive, which becomes the highway west to Charters Towers, and is about ten kilometres south-west of Townsville's city centre.

Southeast!

The bunker, measuring about 18 x 13 metres, has a flat concrete roof, engaged piers to the side walls and a boarded formwork finish. Remnants of its external camouflage colour scheme, chosen to blend with the pink granite of the hill, are still evident.

The bunker consists of a main room which is two-stories in height, with smaller separate rooms attached to the front. The main room retains evidence of the mezzanine floor, air-conditioning ducts and wc's.

+ blast walls to entrance?

The front section contains some six separate smaller rooms of two levels. Access to the four rooms at the centre is from the exterior and access to the two rooms at the western end is from the main room. The lower of the two western rooms contains the large metal frame of the fuse and telephone cable board with some fuses still visible, which is the only surviving piece of equipment in the structure. Part of the floor of this room appears to be rubble, filling a small tunnel for cables.

To either side of the bunker are two circular structures, possibly bases for communication aerials or anchors for the camouflage net for the bunker. They are some four metre wide and constructed of low stone walls with a conical concrete cap.

Between the bunker, the creek to the north-west and the road to the north-east are several concrete slabs, concrete steps and scatters of building material and other artefacts. These are remnants of other structures of the complex, possibly ablutions blocks and hot water boiler stands.

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No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters at Stuart (3FSHQ)

Plates 6.22 to 6.30

Construction began in 1942, but the site was not fully operational until 20 December 1944. It had only some eight months of service before the Japanese surrender. Formed on 25 February 1942, 3FSHQ was previously stationed at the Grammar School in North Ward. The primary task of 3FSHQ was to collate all information given by D/F stations and VAOC posts, and then respond by informing fighter or bomber squadrons to intercept if necessary.

This site was once a fully integrated base of its own, with barracks, kitchens, and recreation hall located on the flat ground at the foot of the hill. The rectangular- shaped operations room was made of 12 inch thick re-enforced concrete, and built to withstand a direct hit.[2] Fully airconditioned it contained its own power supply and a mezzanine floor, as a second level. It was divided into 32 rooms and passage ways by caneite partitions. Some of the rooms were designated the VAOC Liaison room, R.D.F. Filter room, Operations status room, and Aircraft movement section to name but a few.[3] Indeed many critics suggested that the cost of the facility was a waste of money. On a visit to Townsville in 1944, the Secretary to the Board of Business Administration made known his views on the project in a terse report:

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2 *Operations Record Book No.3, 103, 4, 104, 6 and 106 Fighter Sector Headquarters, 2/3/1942 to 30/4/1945 (abbrev):* AWM series 64, item 21/1.

3 *Townsville Qld - No 3 Fighter standby (ADHQ) utilisation of property:* ACT series A705/13, item 171/105/137.

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> Fighter Headquarters has not yet been occupied owing to the hutted camp not having been commenced, but if such a camp proposal is submitted for funds, approval should be withheld until confirmation is given that the personnel cannot be absorbed into existing camps in the vicinity.[4]

Plate 6.22 is a site plan of 3FSHQ in late 1945. It not only contains all buildings on site to scale but also shows *UGT* (Underground Telephone), septic lines and water lines. The overlaying transparency shows in red what remains of this site in 1997. The red marking in the lower left is the structurally intact operations room. All other markings on the transparency indicate concrete foundations only. Plate 6.23 is the key to the site buildings.

Operations Complex

The largest remaining structure on the site is the Operations Room, measuring 60 x 42 feet. As the plates 6.24 to 6.29 show, it is quite bare inside and out, the mezzanine floor missing.

Plate 6.24.

Frontal view of the building. Most remarkable is the pink coloured camouflage pattern, visible to the left of the structure. Even after more than fifty years exposure to the sun, its colour, chosen to blend in with the pink granite of the hill, is still visible. Beneath the two separate roofless slanting areas at the front are four rooms, two upper and two lower. These can only be accessed from outside. The roofed portion at the end contains an upper and lower room which can only be accessed from inside the structure.

Plate 6.25

Right view, with the one metre rule visible just above the graffiti.

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4 *Report on Inspection by Hon HM Cremean on Townsville & New Guinea 1944;* Vic series MP1049/5, item 1968/2/468.

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No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters at Stuart - 1945.

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No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters - Key to Site Buildings.

1	OPERATIONS ROOM.	41'42'30548
2	ADMINISTRATIVE BLDG.	A.T. 43'44 561
3	QUARTERS	A.T. 44'45' 213
4	ABLUTIONS · LATRINES	
5	TANKSTAND	
6	SEPTIC TANK	
7	PREFAB. HUT	
8		
9	MESS · KITCHEN	A.T. 43'44. 562
10	LATRINES	A.T. 43'44. 562
11	GARBAGE HOUSE ·	A.T 43'44' 562.
12	TANKS & STAND	
13	OPEN STRUCTURE	
14	BEER GARDEN	
15	MESS · KITCHEN	A.T. 43'44. 563.
16	OPEN STRUCTURE	
17	EQUIPMENT STORE	A.T. 43'44' 564.
18	PREFAB HUTS	
19	BARRACKS STORE	AT 43'44' 564.
20	PREFAB. HUT	
21	HOT WATER BOILER	
22	GARAGE LEAN-TO	
23	LAUNDRY	A.T. 43'44.565
24	ABLUTIONS	DO.
25	DO	DO.
26	DO.	AT. 43'44'565
27	QUARTERS	A.T. 43'44.367A.
28	RECREATION HUT	DO.
29	QUARTERS	DO.
30	DO	AT. 43'44'367A.
31	LATRINES	
32	DO.	
33	QUARTERS	
34	DO	A.T. 43'44.367A
35	LOBBY	
36	QUARTERS	
37	PREFAB. HUT	
38		
39	LATRINE	
40	MEDICAL SECTION	A.T. 43'44. 567
41	HOT WATER BOILER	
42		
43	QUARTERS	A.T. 43'44.367A.
44		
45		
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47		
48	BORE & PUMP HOUSE	
49	QUARTERS	A.T. 43'44.367A
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51		
52	HOT WATER BOILER	
53	LATRINES	A.T. 43'44. 568
54	DO.	A.T. 43'44' 568.
55	ABLUTIONS	
56		
57		
58		
59	INFLAMMABLE STORE	A.T. 43'44. 564
60	M.T. WORKSHOP	A.T. 43'44 567
61	GUARD HOUSE	
62	SENTRY BOX	

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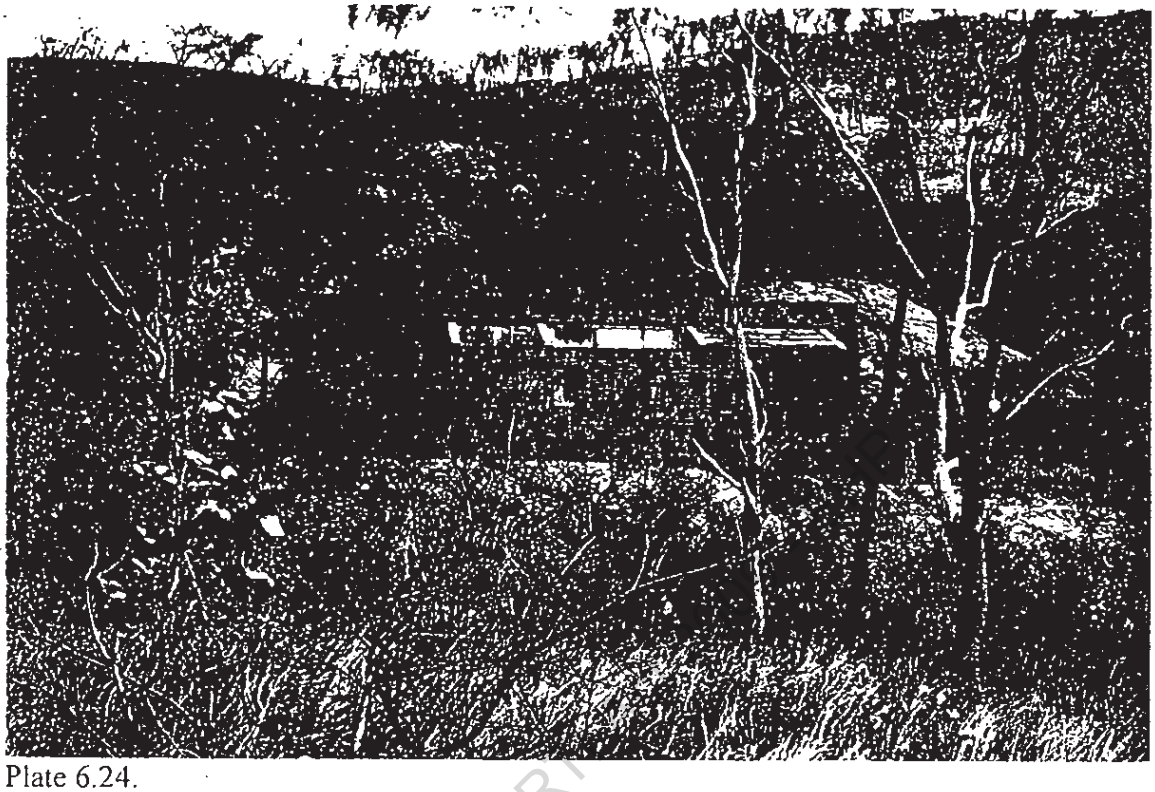

Plate 6.24.

Plate 6.25.

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Plate 6.26

The interior of the structure, taken from the only interior upper room with the one metre rule visible at bottom centre. On the closest pillar the end of the brown coloured paint shows the height at which the mezzanine floor was erected. Top left are steel bolts in the ceiling; three gaps in the concrete indicate the location of airconditioner ducting. There is only one entrance at the lower left.

Plate 6.27

View of the two interior rooms. The mezzanine floor outline is visible just under the upper room's doorway. Bottom left of the plate shows the base of a latrine.

Plate 6.28

Interior of the lower room. Pitch black inside, this room contains the only piece of original equipment in the structure. This large metal object was the fuse box and phone line board, some of the fuses still visible at bottom middle. Originally it would originally have been bolted to the wall. It appears this room had been deliberately filled with rubble, and the board torn off the wall, to conceal what might possibly be an access cover underneath.

Plate 6.29

The entrance, with the mezzanine floor outline clearly visible above the white graffiti. To the lower left is the entrance to the two lower exterior rooms; above it is the entrance to the two upper exterior rooms.

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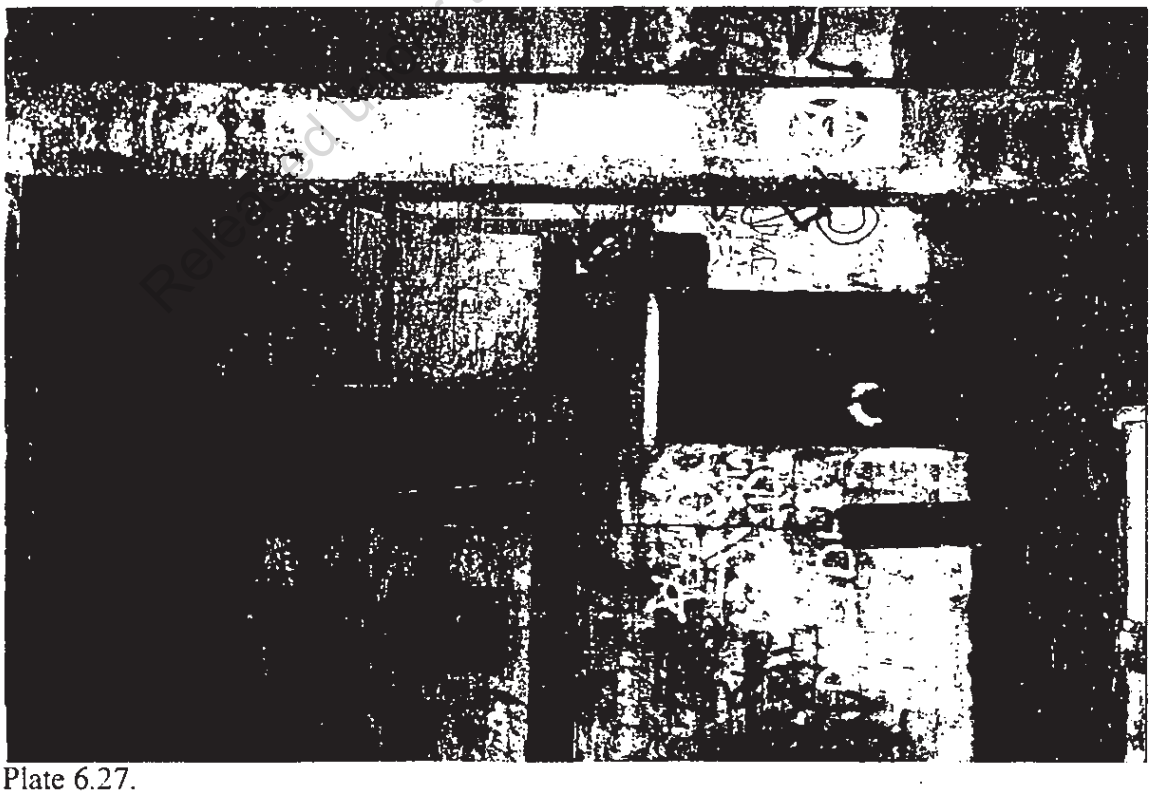

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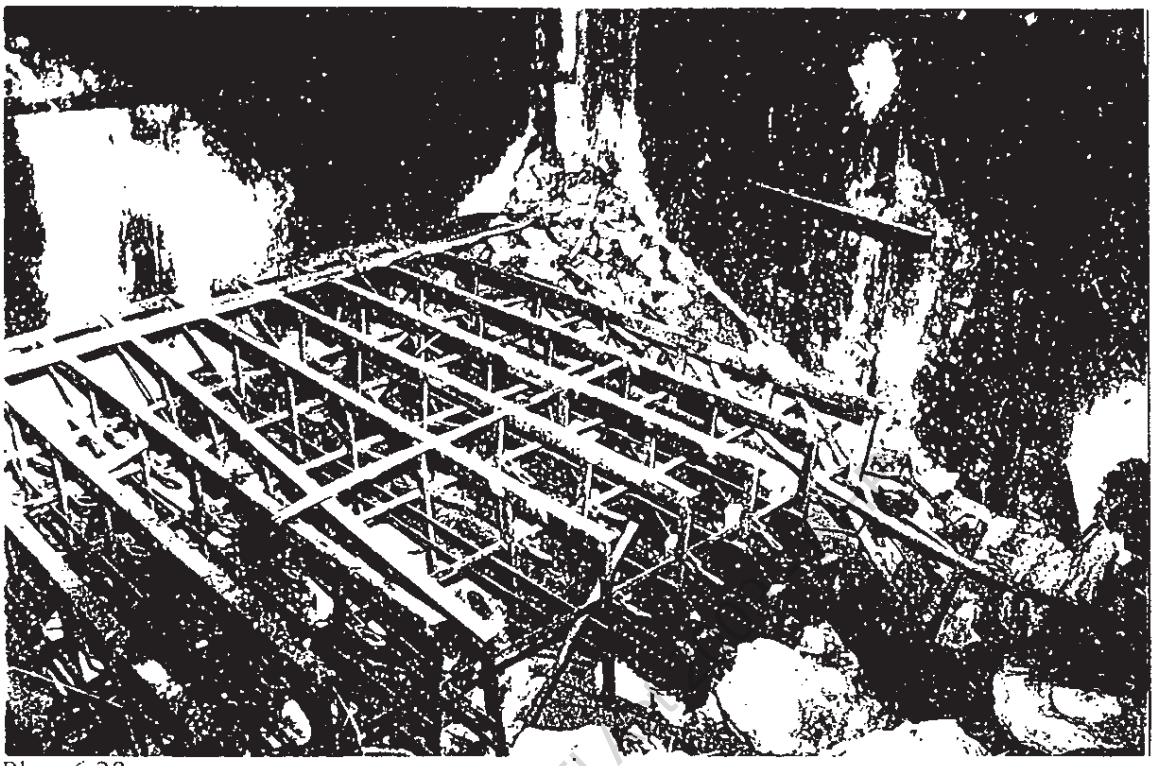

Plate 6.28.

Plate 6.29.

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Anchor base for camouflage net

Plate 6.30

Situated twenty metres from both sides of the building are rock and concrete objects. Neither show up on the site plan. What purpose they served is not clear. One is that they were both bases for the communication aerials. The other, more likely, that they were anchor bases for the camouflage net that once covered the entire building.

Recent panorama of the site

A photographic collage of the site, as it appeared in late 1996 after fire, indicating significance of remaining foundations has been appended at the rear of the thesis, marked Panorama 2.

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3 FIGHTER SECTOR HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA DURING WW2

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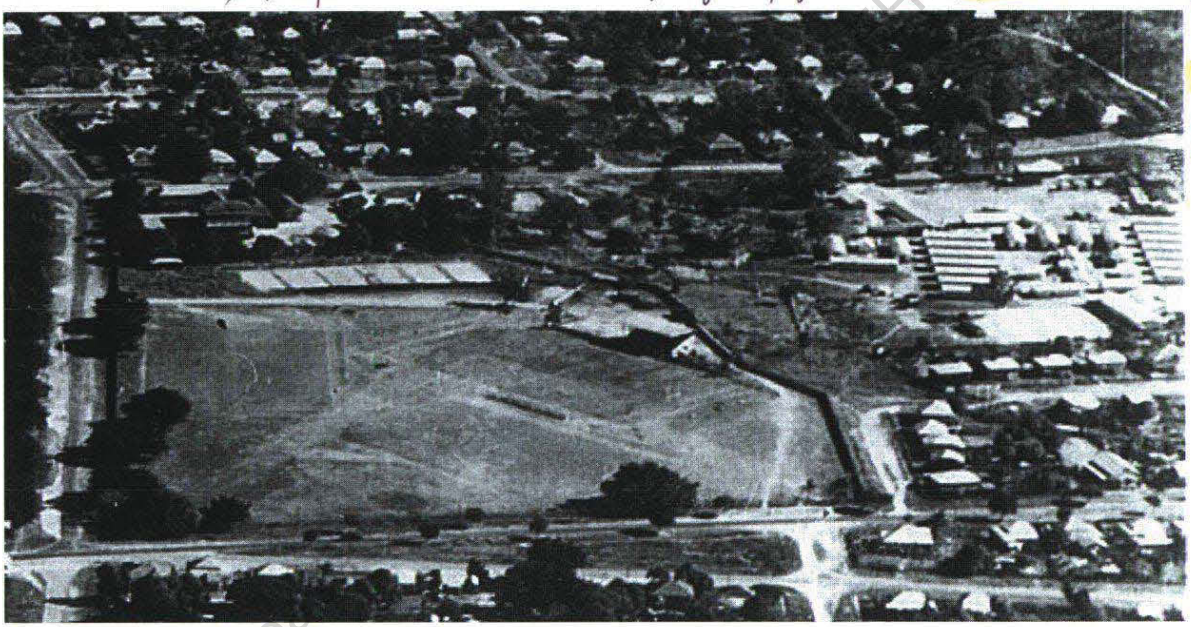
No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ) was established on 25 February 1942 in the Grammar School at North Ward. It was renamed to 103 Fighter Control Unit (103 FCU) on 7 March 1944. (✓) → Ops Record Book: title changes for page starting 1 Oct. 1943. to 103 FSHQ (then 103 FCU from March 1944)



Grammar School to the rear of and the right of the Sports Reserve in September 1945.

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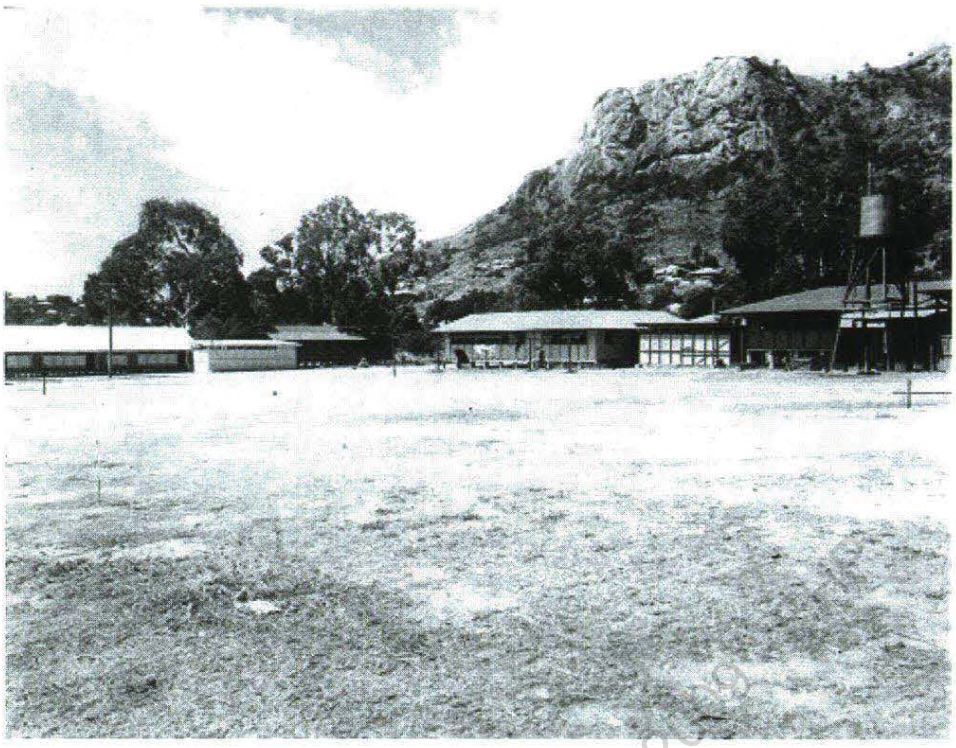

Parade Ground for North East Area HQ at the Grammar School
in 1945 with Castle Hill in the background

A larger version of the above photo.

Lesley Bingham (nee Rowe) started work in the Radar Plotting Section in Townsville on 10 November 1942 and was attached to 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters. Lesley lived in the WAAAF Barracks at St. Anne's Church of England Girls school near the central city area of Townsville. She was eventually transferred to Sandgate in 1944 and was married in that year. Lesley obtained her Corporal stripes before the war ended. Lesley was in Townsville when it was bombed by the Japanese. She remembers the fun they all had while they were in Townsville and that the Yanks were very generous with their cigarettes and their money!!

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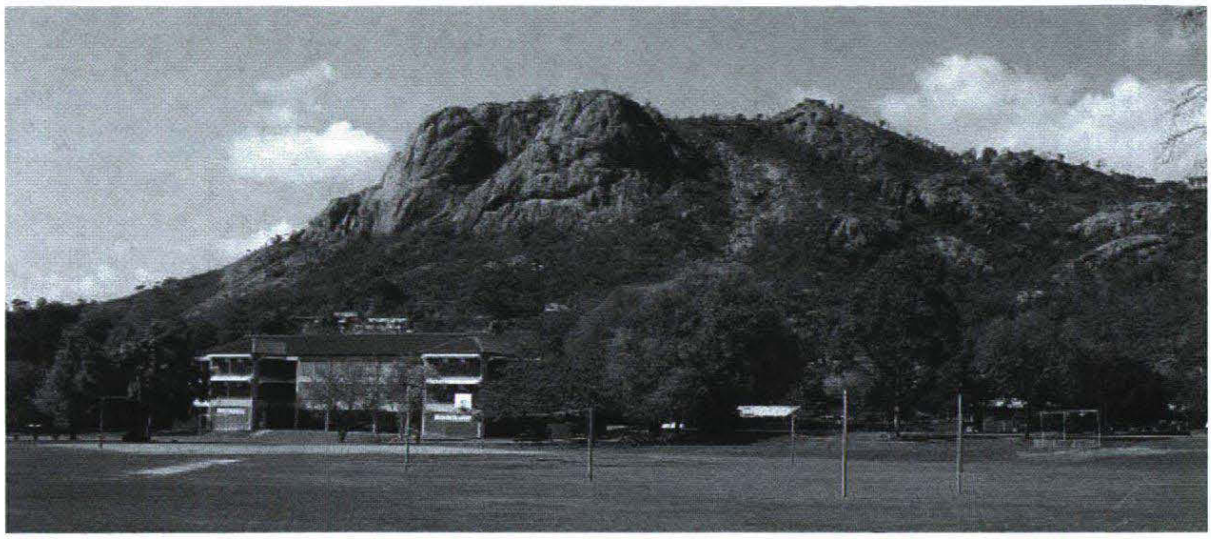
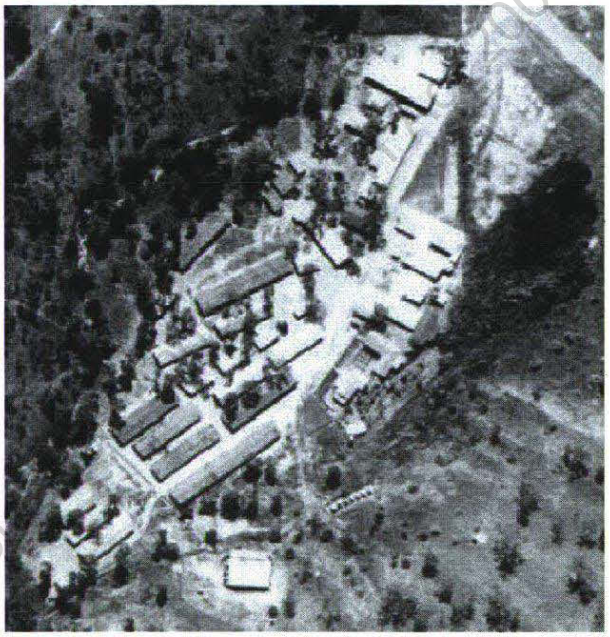


Grammar School with Castle Hill in the background



3 Fighter Sector HQ at Stuart was a full integrated camp site with its own power house, barracks, kitchens, septic system and recreation hall. There were as many as 62 different buildings in 3FSHQ.

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A long concrete slab on the side of a hill with the 3FSHQ in the background in June 2003.

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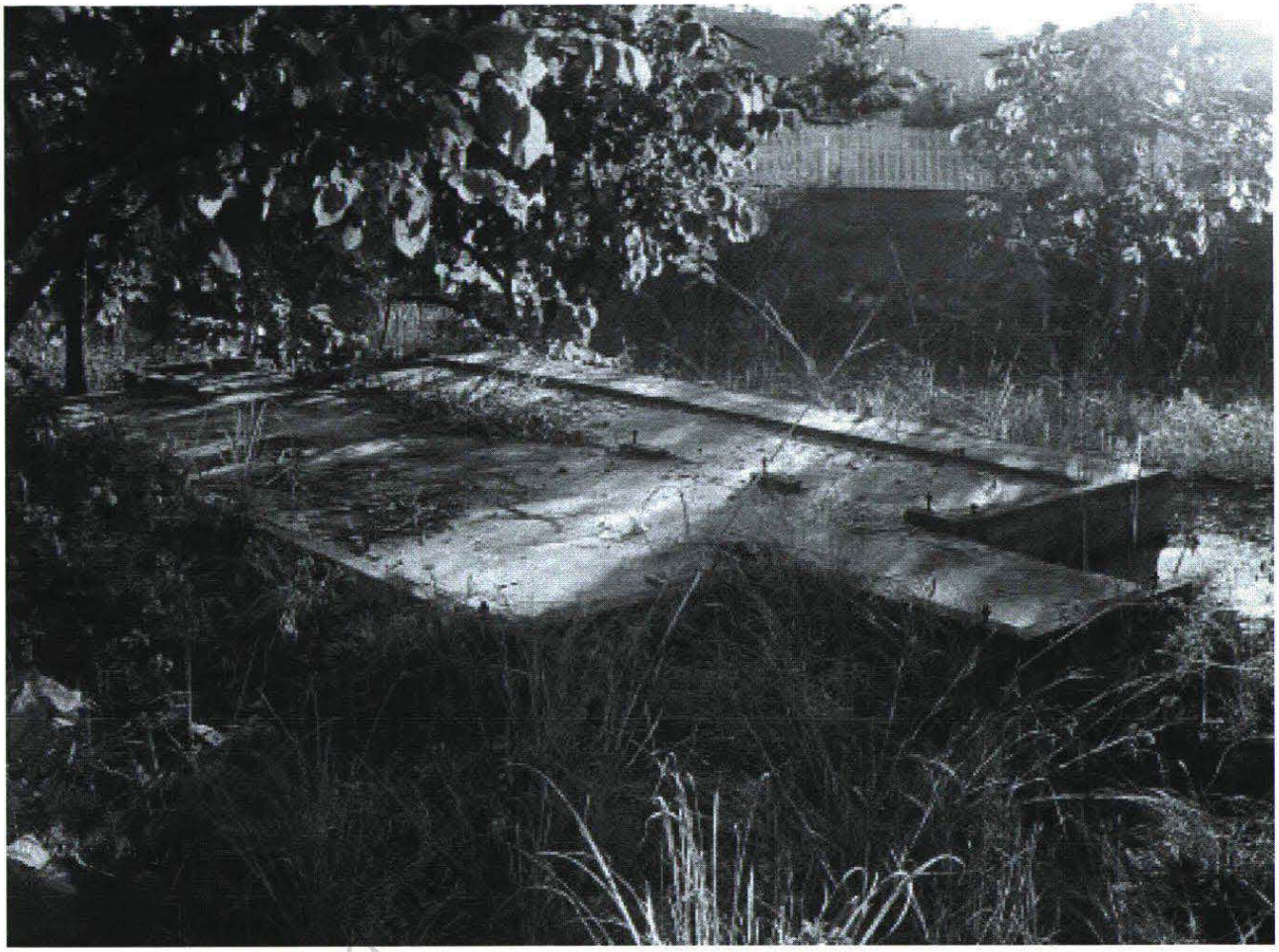
Another concrete slab in the foreground with the
main 3FSHQ bunker in the background, June 2003



Yet another one of the many slabs remaining in the area, June 2003

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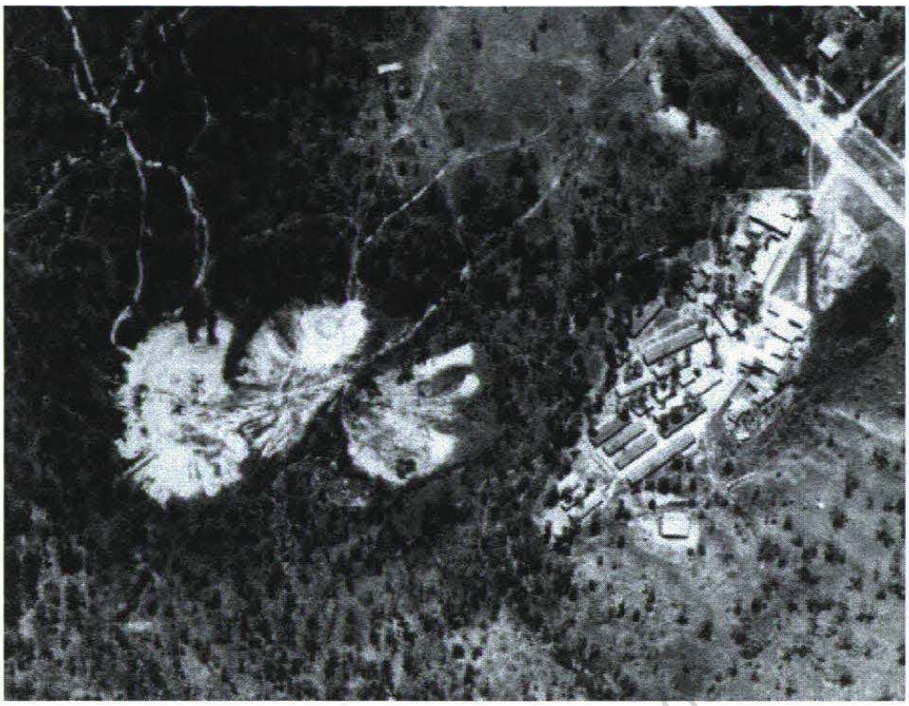

3 Fighter Sector Headquarters at Stuart. Charters Towers road can be seen at top right hand side of the photograph.

This site finally became fully operational on 20 December 1944. The main operations building was made of 12 inch thick re-inforced concrete designed to withstand a direct bomb hit. It had a mezzanine floor and was air-conditioned. There were other fortifications in Townsville and the rest of Australia that were also air-conditioned such as the Green Street bunker at West End in Townsville and the Ramsay Street bunker at Garbutt in Townsville..

3 Fighter Sector Headquarters comprised 32 rooms in the large rectangular concrete building with caneite partitions forming various passageways. The building still stands today and is 60 ft X 42 ft. The mezzanine floor has long since disappeared.

The role of the Fighter Sector Headquarters was to co-ordinate all of the intelligence information from the various D/F stations and VAOC posts, decide on the most appropriate response and then advise the appropriate fighter or bomber squadrons to respond. 3FSHQ was in telephone and radio contact with all of the anti-aircraft, searchlight, RDF and HF/DF stations in the Townsville area. All air raid warnings were initiated from this bunker by red, yellow and white flares.

103 FCU was disbanded in Townsville on 21 January 1945 .

Modern day use of the site has apparently been hindered by the presence of old tunnels that were in use during WW2.

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Was the Officers, sergeants and airmens camp at Landsborough Street, North Ward the camp for 3FSHQ at the Grammar School in North Ward?

Did you serve at 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters at the Grammar School or at Stuart in Townsville?

If you did, I'd like to hear from you

A typical RAAF Fighter Sector Headquarters

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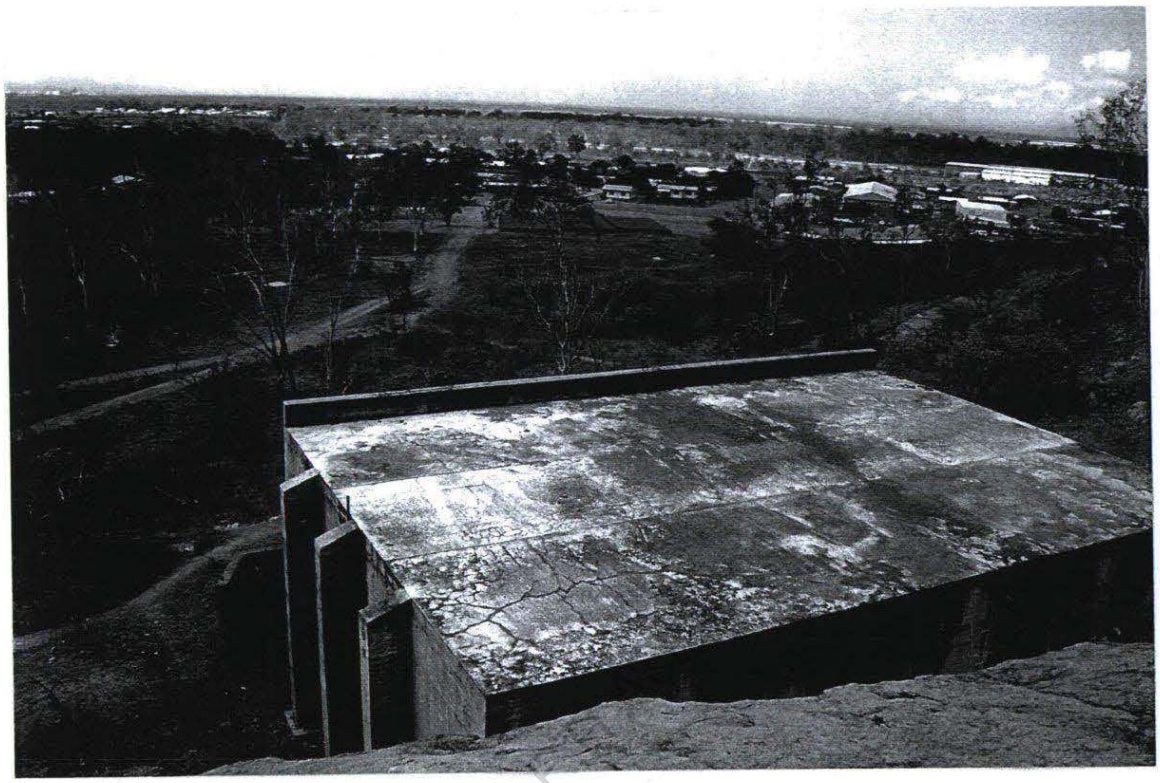

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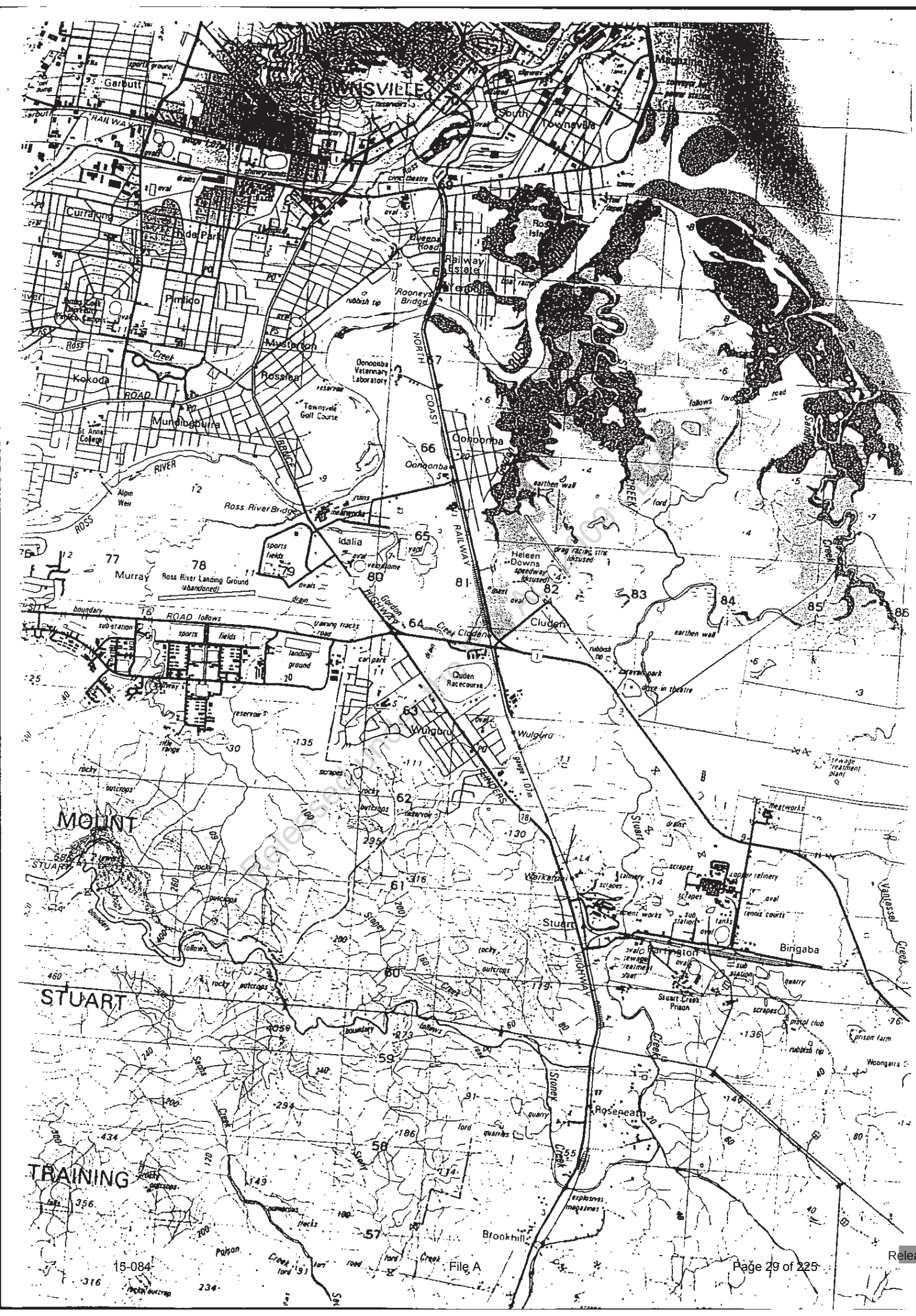

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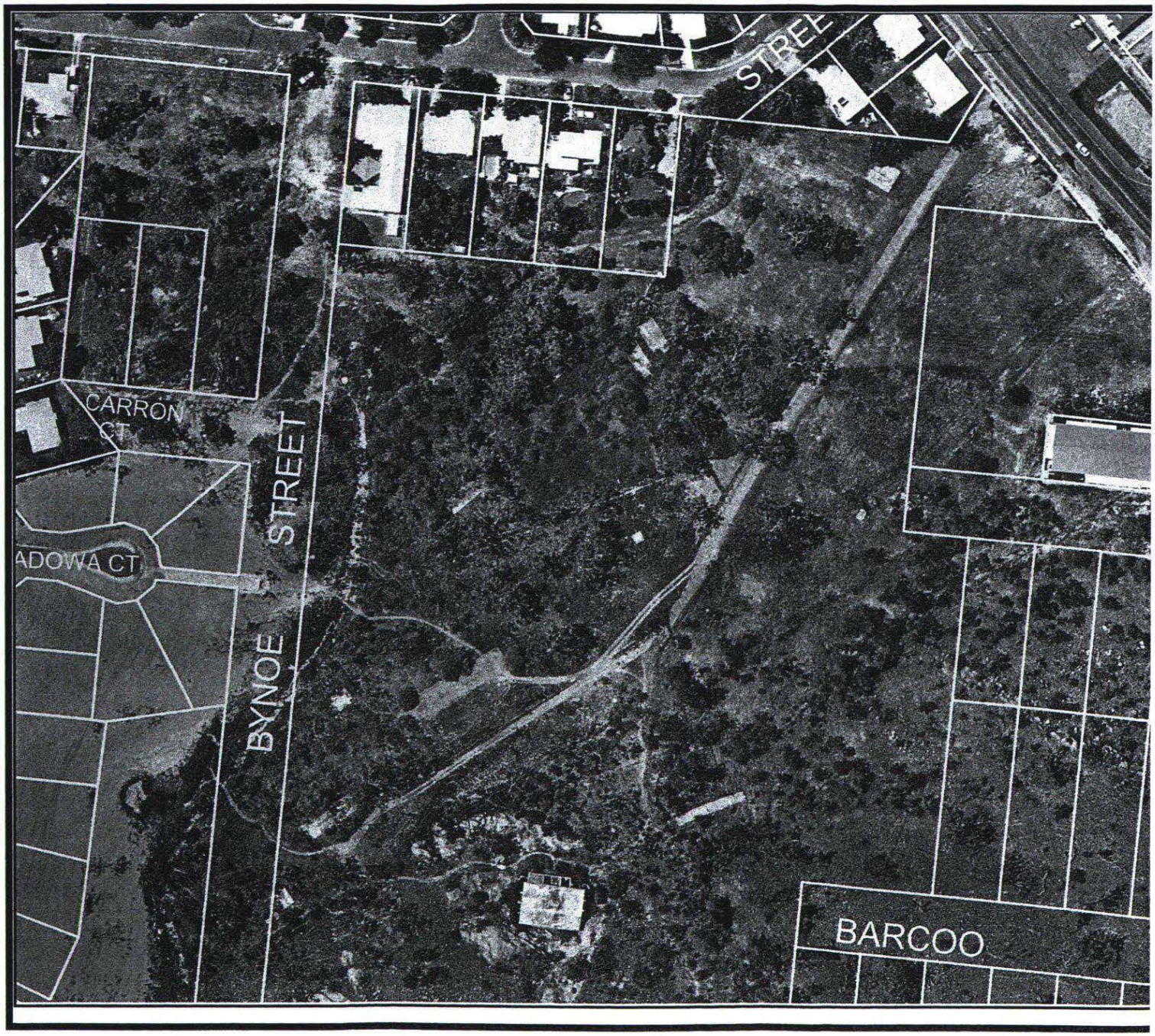
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INVENTORY OF OPERATIONS ROOM (HUT NO. 1) SITUATED AT STUART, QUEENSLAND. NO. 3 FIGHTER STANDBY, A.D.H.Q.

STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION.	FITTINGS AND PLANT.	STRUCTURAL ADDITIONS.	DAMAGE AND DEFICIENCIES.
CONCRETE OPERATIONS ROOM: 60'6"x42' plus 53'x10' with 2 concrete blast walls each 11'6"x12"x7'6" high and 6 concrete ridges each 2'6"x1'6" constructed of 12" concrete, comprising 2 storeys and divided into 32 rooms and passage-ways by partitions of Caneite 3ply and AC to both sides, 3ply, Caneite and clear glass to one side and 12" concrete. Completely painted inside and outside. ROOF: Flat and skillion concrete with 5" PGI guttering to 1 side of building with downpipe. WALLS: 12" concrete. FLOOR: Concrete lino covered. CEILING: Caneite to bottom floor only.	OUTSIDE: Aerial system complete on 3 bush poles (2-12" at base tapering to 6" approx. 50' & 60' high and 1-9" average diameter approx. 40' high). All poles with wrought iron steps set in concrete. ENGINE ROOM ELECTRICITY SUPPLY: Auxiliary supply consisting of set Generating 25 K.V.A. Ford Petrol Electric. Serial No. 126, Exciter No. V.E. 46/5356, Alternator No. VE 13/6864 complete with 6V 11 plate battery. Switchboard 3 phase 415V complete controls Town and auxiliary supply. Switch I.C. 3 phase, fixed to wall. CLOAK ROOM: 5 plotting markers and 1 fire bucket. R.D.F. FILTER ROOM: 6 Call boxes PMG 2 line with 1 switch (attached to underside of table); 1 Telephone, Magneto Box PMG; 1 Supervisor control box PMG-Pattern (R.D.F.) (13 switch with hand set); 1 Table plotting masonite top with map, 16'6"x5'6"x2'3" high. V.A.O.C. LIASON ROOM: 3 call boxes PMG 2 line with 1 switch (attached to underside of table); 1 Control box V.A.O.C. Liason Officer PMG Pattern (13 switch with hand set); 1 Telephone magneto box PMG; 1 Table Plotting masonite top with Map 17'x8'x2'3" high; 1 Wall Map, masonite - painted 9'x8' & 5 markers; 1 desk, pine a 6'x 1'8"x2'6" high.	PARTITIONS: 419' of Caneite, 3ply & AC to both sides; 48' of 3ply, Caneite and clear glass; 35' of 12" concrete. DOORS: 2 double plywood doors each 6'8"x2'8" with mortice locks. 15 double plywood doors each 6'8"x2'8". 5 double plywood doors each 6'8"x2'. 1 double plywood door 6'8"x2'4" with mortice lock. 3 double plywood doors each 6'8"x2'4". 2 double plywood doors each 6'8"x3'3" with mortice locks. 1 double plywood door 6'8"x2'10". 1 pr. double plywood doors each leaf 6'8"x1'4" with mortice lock. 1 double plywood door stable type 6'8"x2'8", 2 double plywood doors 6'8"x2' with mortice locks. 1 double plywood door 6'8"x2'6" with mortice lock; 1 pine and clear glass panel door 6'8"x2'6" with rim lock. 1 pr. T&G pine and plywood doors each leaf 6'8"x2'2" with barrel bolts and night latch. 18' pine shelving 12" wide fixed to wall; Masonite covered pine shelf 16'6"x12" fixed to wall; Pine bench 14'x1'9"x2'3" high; Pine bench 4'6"x1'10"x2'6" high on HW platform 5'6"x4'6"x12" high; Pine bench 4'x2' fixed to wall; Masonite covered pine bench 6'x2' fixed to wall; Masonite covered pine bench 10'x2' fixed to wall and pine drawer 2'x1'9"x5" deep divided into 24 sections; 2 pine benches each 9'x2' fixed to wall; 1 pine cupboard 4'x1'4"x6'6" high with 4 shelves and double plywood door 6'4"x2'8".	SEVERAL SHEETS AC & CANEITE DAMAGED. CEILING WATER MARKED IN PLACES. LOCKS DAMAGED. 15 LOCKS MISSING. 5 " " 3 " " LOCK MISSING. " "

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MAIN OPERATIONS ROOM DIAS: 1 Control Box Aircraft Movements P.M.G. Pattern 13 switch complete with hand set;
1 Control box Teller No. 1 PMG Pattern 13 switch - no hand set;
1 Control Box Teller No. 2 13 switch complete with hand set PMG Pattern;
1 Control Box Naval Liason, 13 switch No. hand set PMG Pattern.
2 control boxes PMG Pattern Operations "B" 13 switch complete with hand set;
5 Telephones magneto box PMG;
2 control boxes (Controller unit Type "A");
1 Telephone Radio control.

AIRCRAFTS MOVEMENTS SECTION: 1 Table-plotting Aircraft Movements - pine & plywood 12'x3' average height 4' with shelf under;
4 cabinets R.T. sound proof - Technical operators Unit Type "B" - 1 unit in each with 4 cabinets.

R.D.F. SUPERVISOR'S ROOM: 1 Control box R.D.F. Supervisor PMG Pattern 13 switches with hand set.
1 Telephones Magneto Box.
1 Pine Cabinet 3'x1'4"x4'3" high with 2 shelves and [illegible] door 3'6"x2'6".

SIGNAL OFFICER'S OFFICE: 1"Samson" fire proof single lock safe Serial No. 19632;
1 pine safe stand 2'6"x2'x1'6" high.

W/T WORKSHOPS: 1 Transmitter line Patching Control Panel complete with hand set, Pluge and cords.

PMG SWITCH ROOM: 1 Accumulator 12V 7 Plate 1 Charger Battery "Don" Serial No. 344-240V 10 A.I.P., ; 1 Main distributing frame PMG.
1 Transformer Telegraph line; 1 Buzzer PMG pattern.

HW framed draining board 9'x1'9" with enamel sink (rusted) 21"x12" with brass outlet and tap over;
2 enamel sinks each 18"x12" with brass outlets and taps over;
4 pedestals complete with seats, flaps & cisterns over;
S.O. & pine cupboard 2'8"x1'4"x3' high with shelf & pair S.O. framed plywood doors each leaf 2'7"x1'3";
Pine bench 6'x1'9"x3' high;
HW platform 3'6"x2'6" on pine stand 6'6" high;
Pine cupboard 8'x1'3"x3' high with shelf and 2 pairs plywood doors each leaf 3'x1'6";
2 pine framed glass top benches each 3'6"x3'6";
Pine bench 14'x2' fixed to wall and 2 pine drawers each 1'6"x1'4"x5" deep;
Pine framed Plywood bench 3'x3'2"; Pine framd plywood bench 3'x3';
Pinebench 18'x2' fixed to wall;
Pine bench 7'x1'8";
4 pine benches each 5'6"x2'6" fixed to wall;
Pine bench 35'x2'3" fixed to wall;
Pine cupboard 2'2"x10"x6'6" high with pr. pine framed plywood doors each 6'x11".
Rough HW bench 9'x2'x3' high with 3 pine & plywood drawers each 2'x1'10"x5" deep;
2 sets each 9 tread HW steps 3' wide and lino covered;
2 sets each 3 tread HW steps 3' wide and lino covered.

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Memorandum

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TO : Helen

FROM : Stewart Armstrong (Conservation Officer)
Cultural Heritage
Phone 07 4722 5342 Fax 07 4722 5331
Date 24/7/98

Subject Stuart Bunker

I spoke to Bruce Gibson-Wilde re Stuart Bunker.

James Cook University set up dormitories there in 1961, until the new ones were built at Douglas. He and Bruce Copeman were the Vice-Principals there.

When they first came in 1961, the bunker was still furnished. It had a large mapping table in the middle complete with maps, and maps on the walls still with marker pins in them. The switchboards and other communications equipment was still largely intact. Bruce took photos and deposited them with the Uni, but doesn't know where they are now.

Soon after, in 1962 or 3, the bunker was burnt out, and all the furniture destroyed.

Stewart

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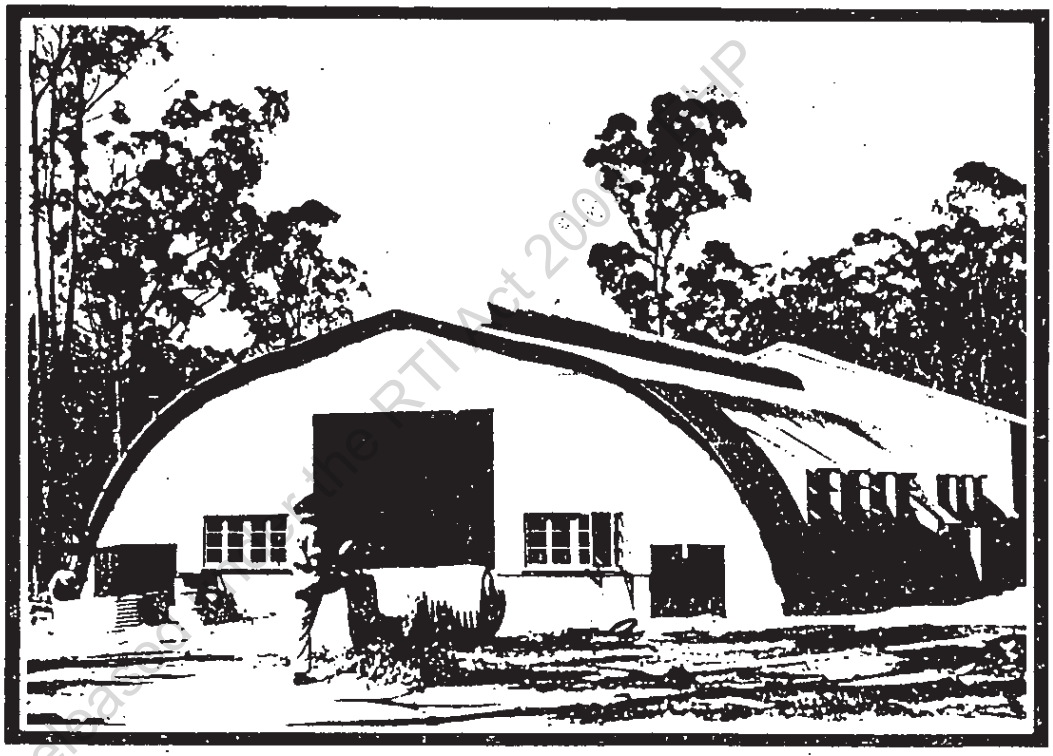
North Queensland



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Tablelands area, were entrained south, and this number was expected to increase considerably from the Innisfail, Tully and Townsville districts. (307:23FEB42)

23 FEB 42 Dutch Timor captured by Japanese. "Sparrow" Force (2/40th Battalion), surrenders after four days of continuous bitter fighting and heavy losses. The Australian position was untenable, surrounded by a superior force and short of ammunition, water and food, and further resistance was useless as the force faced annihilation if the battle was to continue. The 2/2 Independent Company evaded capture and throughout 1942 waged a guerrilla campaign, keeping a huge Japanese occupation force busy. (160:57 & 15:56)

23 FEB 42 LGEN G.H. Brett, USAAF, officially assumes role of Commanding General, United States Army Forces in Australia, (USAFIA). (22:470)

24 FEB 42 ABDA area dissolved.

25 FEB 42 RAAF No.100 Squadron formed at Richmond, NSW.

25 FEB 42 2A Section of 19th Field Ambulance departed Little Mulgrave for Sellheim. (AWM52:11/12/43)

25 FEB 42 RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector HQ formed at Townsville Grammar School, and later moved to a Reinforced Concrete building (No.3 FS) built just south of Townsville, at Stuart, nestled into the hill, off the western side of the road to Charters Towers. (322) This Stuart Fighter Control HQ was connected by telephone, and radio, with all the anti-aircraft guns and searchlights, RDF and HF/DF stations in the Townsville area. It was from this HQ, that air-raid warnings were initiated, with red, yellow and white flares.

12@ This bomb-proof structure remains today, nestled into the hill on the opposite side of Stuart Drive, to the Stuart Shopping centre. What apparently was the Operations Room, with two storey high pillars, is contained within. (AA NQ J153:T1090)

25 FEB 42 USAC B-17 Flying Fortress aircraft, Serial number unknown, departed Townsville on combat mission, and there was no further news. (AA CRS A2663:85/9/9)

26 FEB 42 Allied Works Council (AWC) made up of representatives of Australia, Britain and USA, was established, with Mr. E.G. Theodore as Director General. Main Roads Commissioner Mr. J.R. Kemp was appointed Deputy Director for Queensland, and the Main Roads became the constructing authority. Air defence was a major weapon against the Japanese to the north and landing strips and aerodromes were needed urgently for this action to be fulfilled.

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09 JAN 45 — 80,000 US troops land at Lingayen, Philippines. The 955 ships in the invasion fleet having sailed from Bougainville, Noumea and elsewhere. (148:299)

10 JAN 45 — RAAF No.86 Squadron moved from Macrossan to Bohle River. (364)

10 JAN 45 — RAAF ASR (Air Sea Rescue) Flight No.113 formed in Cairns.

16 JAN 45 — HMS/m POIPOSE, the British Submarine which took part in Operation "RIMAU" (the 'Z' Special Unit's unsuccessful second raid on Singapore Harbour) three months earlier, was sunk by Japanese aircraft in Malacca Strait: The 76th and last RN submarine sunk in WW2.

19 JAN 45 — 9th Australian Division's Sports and Gymkhana were held at Wondecla. 20th Brigade sport's team topped the points score on the Saturday. Races were held the following day. (33:378)

21 JAN 45 — RAAF established ADHQ (Air Defence Headquarters), at Stuart, outside Townsville, previously used as No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters. Post war, this camp was used as Migrant Hostel. (300)

04 FEB 45 — A convoy of Australian Landing Craft, comprising twenty Australian built ALC-40's, one ALC-120 and two launches, of the 41st Landing Craft Company, departed their Barron River 'anchorage' at Stratford, north of Cairns, on a six day, 542 mile voyage across the Coral Sea to Milne Bay, and eventually Wewak, Dutch New Guinea. (61)

07 FEB 45* — 2/2nd Australian Pioneer Battalion, moved from its Deadman's Gully campsite, to Wondecla. (151:249)

10 FEB 45 — PTE H.A. Kidd, AIF, 2/2nd Pioneer Bn. was buried at Innisfail Cemetery. (No further details). (171:89)

13 FEB 45 — Governor General, H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester commences a visit to the Atherton Tablelands, with an inspection of the 2/4th Field Regiment at the 7th Division Camp at Kairi. (152:333)

15 FEB 45 — Governor General, H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester inspected a guard of No.1 Parachute Battalion at Mareeba aerodrome; and the following day inspected the 9th Division Guard of Honour at Ravenshoe.

19 FEB 45 — 1st Australian Landing Craft Workshop embarked at Cairns on the troopship S.S. KATOOMBA for Jacquinot Bay, New Britain. (301:B1884)

24 FEB 45 — PTE M. Akie, ACMF, Torres St. Lt. Bn. Australian Infantry, buried at Murray Island Cemetery. (No further details known). (171)

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* From File of QHR 602465 – (Commonwealth Acetate of Lime Factory, (former) Colmslie

Significance: a: MSB link and migrants/ b: only MSB factory in Qld at time (Rocklea later) / e. Landmark / f; associated with government's drive to modernise Australian secondary industry, increase self-sufficiency / g: deBavay/ h; MSB, PMG, Military, Immigration Department, etc.

Technology; Munitions Supply Board:

World War One resulted in the collapse of the supply of manufactured goods to Australia, and the government saw the need to develop Australia's own secondary industry. MSB also assisted PMG. Post Master General's Department wanted copper wire. Post war protectionism to help, plus Munitions Supply Board (1921) inherited defence factories from the Commonwealth Arsenal. By 1919, assets included a Small Arms Factory, at Lithgow (1913)- centre of precision mass production engineering in Australia; Clothing Factory, South Melbourne; Explosives Factory (Cordite) Maribyrnong; Government Woollen Mill Acetate of Lime Factory, Brisbane. Aim was to provide government technological expertise to help Australian private industry, which would then provide what the Department of Defence would need during wartime. Australian chemical industry's introduction to manufacture of advanced chemicals was the production of acetone and other ingredients for cordite production in World War One, and interwar, the Explosives and Filling Factory Group was the centre of Chemical Engineering in Australia. MSB, 1920s: High Explosives and Filling Factory Group (included Brisbane?), Victoria; Ordnance Factory Group, Victoria; Gun Ammunition Factory group, Victoria; Small Arms Ammunition Factory, Victoria, Small Arms factory group, New South Wales.
Also; Munitions Supply Laboratories. Inter-war: MSB controlled the largest and most advanced factory system in Australia, and largest industrial research laboratories. MSB replaced 1940, by Department of Munitions? "Self containment" goal led to Australia being able to supply itself with weapons and ammunition by World War Two. Government careful not to go into direct competition with private industry: factories limited their output, and just acted as a skills nucleus for possible wartime expansion. Emphasis on Research and Development. Encouraged steel, copper, chemical, woollen textile industries.

Brisbane was the MSB factory that would provide Acetate of Lime for Cordite production at Maribyrnong. Site selected for resumption by Commonwealth (after consideration of Cairns) mid 1916 by Committee from Department of Home Affairs. Coal, building, yeast supplies, labour, and defence situation better in Brisbane. Subs 2,3, of Allotment 22. 9 acres, 2 roods, 29.5 perches acquired 21 September 1916. Total cost of £1,719.
November 1916 plans: Department of Home Affairs. Works Director for Queensland: Mr Todd. Construct a government wharf. deBavay authorised to engage an engineer to assist, July 1916. (March 1917; jetty to be built, shipments of molasses in two months? Manager, Maribyrnong Cordite Factory.)
Note: Had been producing before June 1918.
Built 1917-1918 120,000 pounds. Production begin September 1918? Commonwealth Acetate of Lime Factory (CALF). Only one in Australia.

Production after war ended, laying up reserve supplies. 30 employees. Production of Acetate of Lime cease early 1922. About 1000 tonnes of calcium acetate had been made; enough for 200 tonnes of acetone, then 1000 tonnes of cordite, or 400 million .303 rounds.
Designed by bacteriologist and chemist Auguste J. F. deBavay (born Belgium 1856). Had worked for breweries (including Fosters, Swan, Cascade, Carlton and United), mining industry, paper industry. Designed revolutionary ore- extraction technique: "skin" or "film" flotation process, to deal with "the Sulphide Problem", patented 1905. 1914, asked by Minister of defence to investigate manufacturing acetone for use in cordite. In two weeks, developed process to ferment and distil molasses. Asked to build factory. Well-equipped chemical and bacteriological laboratory. (Blg. 15)

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Calcium Acetate produced from molasses. Yeast to produce dilute alcohol- bacterium aceti, to produce vinegar, lime added to produce acetate of lime.
Molasses from Babinda and Mulgrave sugar mills from Cairns to Brisbane. Holding tank near river. Diluted with water. Heated and then cooled (Blg. 9?) and treated with yeast in large wooden vats, controlled temperature fermentation (Blg 10) produced a dilute (8%) solution of alcohol (ethanol). To vats were it is allowed to settle out (Blg. 2). This "wash" to wooden vats with wood shavings, Bacterium Aceti. Wash percolate through medium, over several days, Alcohol converted into acetic acid (outflow was vinegar) (Blg 3; Acidifier House). New wash heated, acetic acid and water distilled off (Blg.5: Evaporator House). Acid distillate neutralised with milk of lime, producing acetate of lime. Solution concentrated, then evaporation on a heated revolving drum, scraped off as a solid.
Bagged product to munitions factory Maribyrnong in Melbourne, for conversion into acetone, for use in preparation of cordite for small arms ammunition (.303) etc. (Acetone allowed combination of nitroglycerine and trinitrocellulose to form cordite).

Alcohol distillation approved 1919, due to shortages of certain grades of concentrated alcohol, distilled dilute alcohol wash to produce those grades at CALF. Early 1920; pot still for alcohol to ammunition factories, and in 1922, continuous still. Denatured (non-potable) 90-95% ethanol, for hospital use, varnish manufacture, methylated spirits. Output limited to avoid unfair competition with commercial distilleries.

Fears of oil resources being limited; alcohol (from molasses) considered as alternative fuel. Power alcohol August 1924- June 1926 (stopped, as believed costs too high). For PMG's postal vehicles in Brisbane and Melbourne and Victorian RAAF vehicles. 800 kilolitres of alcohol produced, mixed with benzol and ether (prepared at CALF) to produce 1200 kilolitres of motor fuel (1000 megalitres imported to Australia in that period). Note: not a new idea to get fuel from molasses and distillation.

1926 forward; under caretaker, closed down to reserve status. Memo to Secretary of MSB, 1929, put the value of the Factory at approx. £38,000. 1935: plant being moved to Footscray and Maribyrnong factories, Melbourne.
Vacated by MSB 1936: offers invited for site and buildings. Got none. Idea, June 1936- PMG to use a building for frequency measuring equipment; aerials on Chimney, and water tower? Post Master General's Radio Broadcasting Branch, Wireless Experimental Section used several buildings from 1937, including the Acidifier House and the Fitter's shop.

Military use during World War Two.

Various Units and government organisations used various buildings. Advance party of RAAF enter 23rd May 1939. Ordnance Service from February 1940, Field Hygiene Section, Seventh Division, late 1940. Allied Works Council 1942, Engineer's Supply Service branch from April 1941, 6th Anti Aircraft battery by June 1942, 2nd and 14th AA batteries from August 1943, RAN from November 1942. Eg- Acidifier House used by the PMG's Department from 1937, the RAAF in 1940, the Ordnance service from December 1940, then the RAN from December 1942. By late 1943, most buildings under RAN control, as part of Fairmile Naval Base. PMG, Ordnance Services and AA batteries still using some buildings in October 1943.
Jetty became refuelling wharf for navy, storage tanks south of factory. RAN workshops and repair slipway built between factory and river.

Migration to Australia

December 1943: Prime Minister Curtain wanted to increase Australia's population to 20 million, for security reasons. 1946 goal- 70,000 per year (1% of Australia's existing population), but this target was exceeded each year between 1947 and 1952, peaking in 1949,

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1950. March 1946 agreement with British government for post-war immigration: Ministry of transport would provide old British liners (used until 1957, then new liners). *United Kingdom-Australia Free and Assisted Passage Agreements* active March 1947. First trip October 1947. Department of Immigration created. Adults £10, children 14-18 £5. Expected to stay at least two years, or would have to repay balance of cost for trip to Australia. Shipping shortage held back program until 1948.
Peak years of assisted British migration to Australia: 1949-1952.
1947-1958: of 457,898 from UK to Australia, 68% were assisted passage. In this period the British also represented about a third of all migrants to Australia. Most males were from the suburbs of cities, lacked secondary education, and had a trade. To Australia for better wages and climate.
Australia faced a labour shortage; while waiting on British migrants, started first assisted passage for non-British; Displaced Persons.
July 1947 agreement with UN's International Refugee Organisation. Would provide shipping. First load of "Balts" to Fremantle November 1947. (Immigrants from Baltic States; many had worked in Germany during the war, and did not want to return home; Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania were now under Soviet control.) Also others from Eastern and Central Europe; Czechs, Slavs, Poles. Agreement ran to 1952. 170,695 Displaced Persons to Australia, 1947-1954, selected for usefulness to Australian economy. Many were expected to work in government-allocated jobs for two years.
Demand for labour weakened during 1952-1953 Australian recession. Targets for total migration were reduced in 1952 to 80,000 per year; but the aim was for 50% British, 25% Southern Europeans with relatives in Australia (landing permit), 25% from bi-lateral agreements with European nations (such as Greece, 1952). But British interest in migrating reduced after 1957. Revived in 1960s.

Queensland Migrants

1947 decision to accept D.Ps and their families required holding centres. Workers Hostels established for those allocated jobs.

(Until accommodation found by breadwinner, dependents stay in Holding Centres, although some Hostels take family units, if breadwinner allocated a job with Hostel accommodation, and if room. Priority to family's of breadwinners already at hostel).
1949: Migrant Accommodation Centres Division formed within Department of Immigration. The DP scheme ended in 1952, but continued migration from agreements with European countries gave centres a continued role, although the new non-British migrants were less likely to need Migrant Centre accommodation.
Note: No British Migrants sent to Holding centres.

Migrant Holding Centres: ~~June 1949: plans~~ for camps and hostels in Queensland. Department of Immigration ~~Holding~~ Camps planned for at: Enoggera (Frazer's paddock); capacity 450 (Army land). Wacol, (1000) (Army), Stuart, south of Townsville: 400 (RAAF), Cairns: 200. (Aquired)
Enoggera opened 14 April 1950, (closed 1953?), Wacol opened 9 November 1949, Stuart opened 30 March 1950 and closed in 1956, Cairns opened 19 August 1950. (Closed between 1956-1960?) Aim was to save money by using existing military facilities.
1952: standard capacities: Enoggera 515, Wacol 1465, Stuart 500, Cairns 370. (13 Holding Centres still active in Australia at that time. Had been 20 by 1951.)
By April 1960: Only Wacol left: 1100 capacity, 700 population.

Department of Labour and National Service, to manage Hostels for Workers- Colmslie: 500.
Assisted British migrants to Commonwealth Hostels; which included Colmslie from 1952: was used by DPs before then?

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Later, relaxation of rules: foreigners at Colmslie, and in 1959- Suggestions that Wacol be used for British Migrants. Mostly Dutch migrants there at time, and was room. This due to June 1959 "Nest Egg Scheme"; British with £500 in savings could get assisted passage without accommodation sponsor in Australia. Yungaba and Colmslie to be used first though. Yungaba: used as transit depot for British.

Colmslie Hostel

Post-war Navy Base referred to as "HMAS Moreton, Colmslie"? 1948- fuel tanks to vacuum Oil Company. Factory owned by Department of the Interior. (Army take over workshops, wharf, slipway for a small ships depot, 1956.) Mid 1948- Director of Migrant Hostels visited site, with representatives of the Department of Labour and National Service, and Department of Works and Housing. December 1948, Department of Labour and National Service asks navy for factory buildings (now navy Barracks), but has to go through Department of the Interior. *Proposal for Baltic immigrants (displaced persons)* to be housed there, December 1948.
Department of Labour and National Service, work with Department of Immigration. Took over buildings from RAN. Site transferred from Department of Interior to Department of Labour and National Service, December 1948. September 1949: plans for new 300 KVA substation to be built in part of building 35. December 1949: "Colmslie Migrant Hostel".
First migrants in 1949 (or 1950?) = Balts (DP's), then British from 1952?
"Commonwealth Hostels Limited" take over January 1952. Permissive occupancy, from Navy (no rent). 1952- British migrant's complaints about waiting months at Colmslie for a job. Paying board for small rooms.

Mr Flood, manager, lived in lovely bungalow surrounded by palm trees and hibiscus (Blg. 9, 1949 map- demolished).
Letter, one migrant couple lived there 1959-1962, in wooden shed (rows of, downhill from other buildings); small room (see Blgs, 20,21, 1949 map). Later in Blg. 2 (1949 map) When people found work, paid towards keep. Waiting on houses in Inala. Workshop (Blg. 6) turned into recreational room, bar.
Other people there included Scots, Germans, Finns, Danes, Yugoslavs, and Russians.

Army move Small Boats to Kangaroo Point. Workshops etc-declared surplus by April 1960.
November 1960; Navy Declares buildings surplus
1961- Vacuum Oil want land to west of Hostel.
1961- Proposal: Transfer all Army and Navy Property to Dept of Labour and National Service and Department of Immigration? Keep waterfront in Commonwealth hands. Army and Navy Land adjoining Hostel transferred from Department of Interior to Department of Immigration March 1962.
Capacity 270. 30 Families there, January 1963. 31 March 1963- closed. Remaining people who still could not find accommodation would go to Wacol, which Commonwealth Hostels was taking over from the Department of Immigration.

1966; waterfront area to Fish Board (old RAN workshops and jetty). Included part of hostel area= Fermentation building of acetate factory still stands on this land.
Rest of Hostel site= Purchased by Hans Van der Drift- when? (Smallgoods company established 1960: now Hans Continental Smallgoods Pty Ltd)

Remaining Buildings on Hans Smallgoods site:

Acetate Factory:

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Part of storeroom, later converted to substation for migrant hostel. One story, wooden, (Blg 35 on 1949 map)
Ground floor still remains of large 3-story timber acidifier house (Later military and migrant accommodation). Re-clad (Blg.2, on 1949 map).
Ex-Fitters' shop. Brick, 1 story with mezzanine floor. (Blg. 6, 1949)
Winch house. Small brick shed- now open on one side. (Blg. 17, 1949)
Timber one-story office block. (Blg 11, 1949)
Lime store and Lime Slacking house. One storey, brick. (Blg. 10, 1949)
Evaporator House and alcohol still house, Engine Room, Boiler Room, chimney (Blgs 12,13,14,15, 1949 map) Brick, adjoined, staggered downhill. 2 storeys. Used for accommodation, recreation and laundry by migrants.
Latrine. One story, brick. (Blg. 16, 1949)

Factory Building on neighbouring property:

Fermenting House. Two stories, timber. (Blg.1 on 1949 map)

Migrants:

Two one-story wooden barracks. (Blgs 20,21, 1949 Map)

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Estate in Unallocated State Land

LOT 110 CROWN PLAN EP767
Local Government: TOWNSVILLE

EASEMENTS AND ENCUMBRANCES

1. CANCELLATION OF USL TITLE No 714244400
   Lodged at 21:00 on 03/01/2012 Recorded at 21:00 on 03/01/2012

2. SURVEY PLAN No 714186549
   subdivides the land into
   LOTS 1 AND 110 ON SP233941
   Lodged at 11:37 on 29/11/2011 Recorded at 09:40 on 12/12/2011

ADMINISTRATIVE ADVICES - NIL
UNREGISTERED DEALINGS - NIL

CERTIFICATE OF TITLE ISSUED - No

Caution - Charges do not necessarily appear in order of priority

** End of Historical State Tenure Search **

Information provided under section 34 Land Title Act(1994) or
section 281 Land Act(1994)

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Notice

Cultural Heritage

Section 74 Exemption Certificate : Permit Number: 355788:601708: CHCH01480710

This notice is issued by the Department of Environment and Resource Management under s.74 of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992 *to advise of a decision. Under the Integrated Planning Act 1997, Schedule 8, Part 1, Table 5, Item 2(a), development for which an exemption certificate has been issued is not assessable development.*

Attn: Mr Russell Jack
Project Officer
State Land Management
Department of Environment and Resource Management
PO Box 937
Cairns, QLD 4870

Attn: Mr Peter Lawrence
State Land Management
Department of Environment and Resource Management
PO Box 937
Cairns, QLD 4870

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Dear Mr Jack,

Re: Application for an Exemption Certificate for development at Operations and Signals Bunker (former); QHR 601708

DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION:	Works include: • Removal of invasive weed species using either hand method; rubber tyred mounted hydraulic mulcher or chemical removal. • Temporary levelling of a gravel based Whoa boy to be reinstated when works complete. • Install steel frame and plate insert to upper window, lower window and entrance door. No fixings required to building fabric.

Your application for an exemption certificate to carry out development described above, which was received on the 9 November 2010 , is approved under s74 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, subject to the following conditions:-

Queensland Government

Conditions of Approval:

1. This approval lapses at the end of two years from the date on this notice.
(Reason: To ensure that approved works are completed within a reasonable time).

2. Carry out all development in accordance with the following documents. In the case of a discrepancy between documents and conditions, conditions take precedence.

Drawing/Document No.	Name	Date
Un numbered	Untitled Drawing of Plan View- Outside of Window and Side View indicating Steel plate inserts: prepared by DERM- State Land Management	2010

(Reason - To ensure development is carried out as approved)

3. All employees, contractors and volunteers working on the site must be made aware of the heritage status of the place, the implications of the listing, the significant heritage fabric and the conditions attached to this approval.
(Reason: to ensure that all individuals on the site are aware of the significance of the place and exercise care while working on the site.)

4. Inform the Regional Cultural Heritage Coordinator, North Region, Dept of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) in writing, via a completion report including before and after photographs, within 10 working days of completion, notifying that development authorised under this notice is complete. State location and name of registered place, permit number and condition number this report is being made under.
(Reason - To ensure development complies with approval)

5. During development and at completion of development, permit access to the registered place by DERM officers if requested.
(Reason - To ensure development complies with approval)

6. During development, take appropriate precautions to protect existing building fabric and other significant elements or artefacts from incidental damage.
(Reason - To ensure that the cultural heritage values of the place are appropriately recognised and managed)

7. During development; should damage occur to existing building fabric and/or other significant elements or artefacts, report such incidents immediately to the Regional Cultural Heritage Coordinator, North Region, DERM and confirm details of the incident in writing within 2 business days. The incident report must include (but is not limited to) the following information:
    a. Location and name of registered place;
    b. Permit number and condition number incident report being made under;
    c. Details of incident, including time and cause of incident and damage report;
    d. Details of measures that were in place at the time to protect against such incident and why these did not prevent damage;
    e. Details of proposed measures to reinstate, remediate or rectify damage; and
    f. Name and contact details of person making report.

(Reason - To ensure that the cultural heritage values of the place are appropriately recognised and managed)

8. Variation to works requires written application to the Regional Cultural Heritage Coordinator, North Region, Dept of Environment and Resource Management (DERM).
(Reason - To ensure development complies with approval)

Further Advice:

For any future applications for development to be carried out on this site it is highly recommended that a pre - lodgement meeting between the applicant and Cultural Heritage unit of the Department of Environment and Resource Management should be held prior to submission of any application to ensure any heritage matters or other issues can be identified and addressed at an early stage. The DERM's contact officer is Sandi Robb on telephone 47 225 339.

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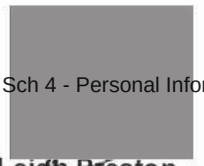
Take Notice: This certificate does not exempt the applicant from the need to obtain such other approvals as may be required under other legislation.

If you require more information, please contact Sandi Robb the Project Manager, on the telephone number listed below.

Yours sincerely



Leigh Preston
Delegate
Department of Environment and Resource Management
19 November 2010

Enquiries:
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Integrated Cultural Heritage Unit
Land Services- DERM
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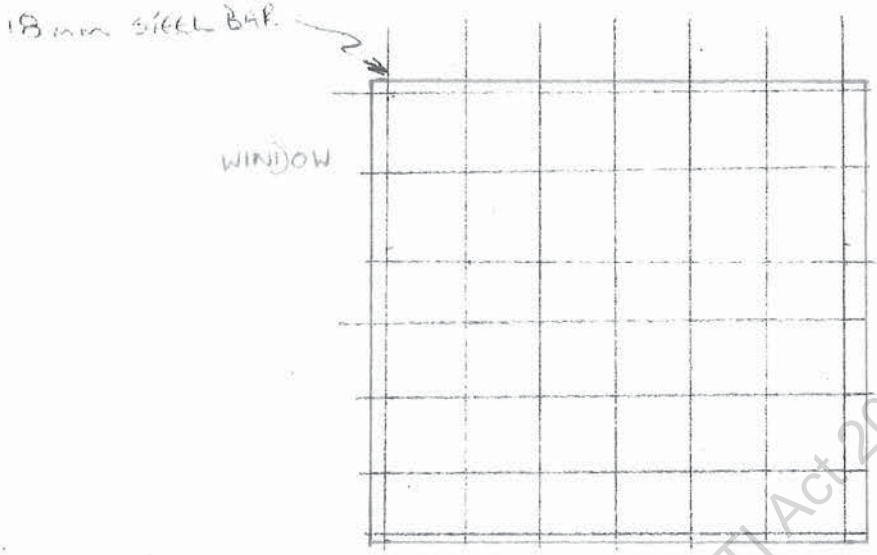
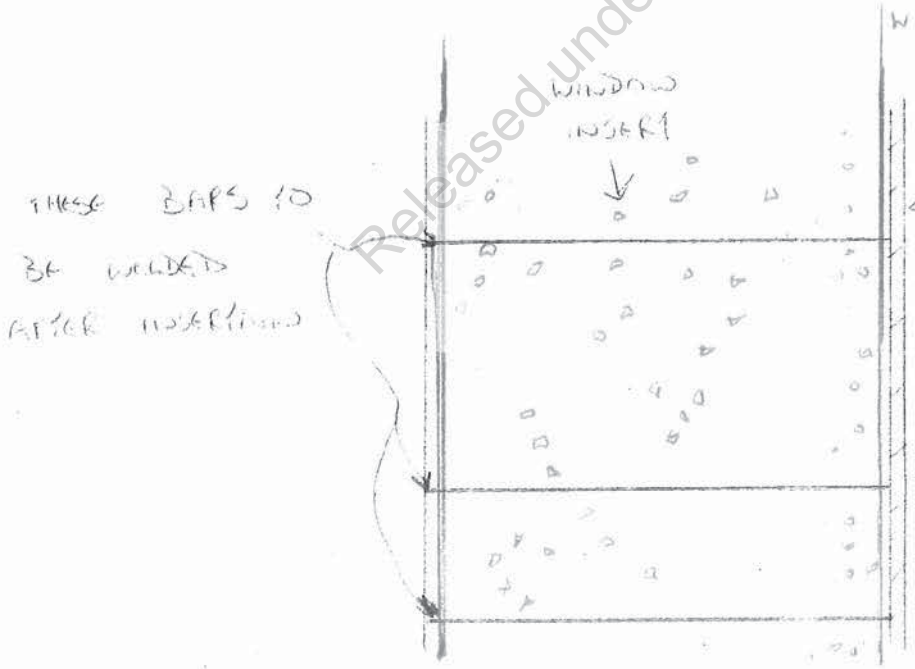


PLAN VIEW - OUTSIDE OF WINDOW



SIDE VIEW

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EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

ISSUED
FOR WORK ASSESSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE QUEENSLAND HERITAGE ACT 1992 s 74
SUBJECT TO ALL TERMS CONDITIONS SET OUT IN THE NOTICE

REFERENCE 355788; 601708; 614814; 614910

DATED 19 NOV 2015

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5 May, 2004

1 pkt 11/5/04

Mr. Peter Hutchinson
Director, Cultural Heritage Branch
Environmental Protection Agency
Queensland Government
PO Box 155
BRISBANE ALBERT STREET Q 4002

Dear Mr. Hutchinson,

I refer to your letter dated 27 April, 2004 regarding Amendments to the Queensland Heritage Act 1992 in respect of the following properties:

600889	Department of Public Health & Tropical Medicine Building	Clifton Street Townsville
601708	Former Operations and Signals Bunker	Off Stuart Drive Stuart

Attached are copies of documents which refer to the surrender of the Stuart property together with copies of documents which refer to the sale of the Clifton Street property.

It would be appreciated if your records could be amended to reflect the change of ownership of both properties.

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→ Nth region (cc)

Yours sincerely

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Helen Alexander
Administrative Officer

Enc.

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14 November, 2001

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The District Manager
State Land Asset Management
Natural Resources and Mines
PO Box 5318
Townsville, Q 4810

Attention Jacinta Ryan
Dear Ms Ryan,

re: **Lots 110 & 111 on EP767 and Lot 125 on EP864, Parish of Stuart, Deeds of Grant in Trust**

Thank you for your letter of 31st October 2001 (your reference TNS/000425) regarding the surrender of the above property.

I will enclose the three Form 1's, with seal affixed as requested, together with the three requisition notices.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]
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Peter Renton

Attached: Form 1 x 3
Requisition Notice x 3

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Natural Resources and Mines

Author: Jacinta Ryan
Our Ref: TNS/000425
Workgroup: State Land Asset Management
Phone: (07) 4799 7732

31 October 2001

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Acting Director
Central Services
James Cook University
Townsville Campus
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4811

ATTENTION: PETER RENTON

Dear Mr Renton

RE: LOTS 110 & 111 ON EP767 AND LOT 125 ON EP864, PARISH OF STUART DEEDS OF GRANT IN TRUST TO JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 3 October 2001, and the enclosed documentation.

However, you are required to affix the appropriate seal for James Cook University to each of these documents to enable registration. Therefore, I have returned the three Form 1's for your further attention.

Please return these original documents to this department, marked to the attention of 'Jacinta Ryan'.

Should you require any additional information on the above, you may contact Ms Jacinta Ryan on telephone number (07) 4799 7732.

Yours sincerely

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For M F Cranitch
District Manager
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Attached: Form 1 x 3

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7 November, 2001

Mr Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage
Environmental Protection Agency
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Brisbane Albert Street
Queensland 4002

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Dear Ray,

re: **Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville**

Thank you for your letter of 5th November 2001, referenced 601708.

With regard to our objection to the entry in the heritage register of the land surrounding the signals bunker, I wish to confirm that the deeds of grant in trust are in the process of being transferred to District Land Asset Management, Department of Natural Resources and Mines, in Townsville. Their nominated contact person is Jacinta Ryan.

Once the transfer has taken place, the University will have no further interest in the site, and our objection will be withdrawn.

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Yours sincerely,

Peter Renton

Queensland Government

Enquiries Fiona Gardiner
Telephone (07) 3227 6494 Fax (07) 3227 7803
Your reference
Our reference 601708

Environmental Protection Agency
Incorporating the
Queensland **Parks and Wildlife Service**

5 November 2001

Mr Peter Renton
Acting Director, Central Services
James Cook University
Townsville campus
TOWNSVILLE Q 4811

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Dear Mr Renton

Re: Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville - Objection to the permanent entry into the Heritage Register.

I write with regard to your telephone conversation with Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer concerning the RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker) Stuart, Townsville. I am advised that the James Cook University is in the process of returning this property to the Crown and the transfer is expected to be completed in the near future.

As James Cook University is relinquishing all interest in the Signals Bunker I would appreciate it if you could withdraw the objection to the entry in the heritage register.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer, Environmental Protection Agency at the above address or on (07) 3227 6494.

Yours sincerely

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Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage

B/c Mr Andrew Border, Manager, Cultural Heritage, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region [Townsville]

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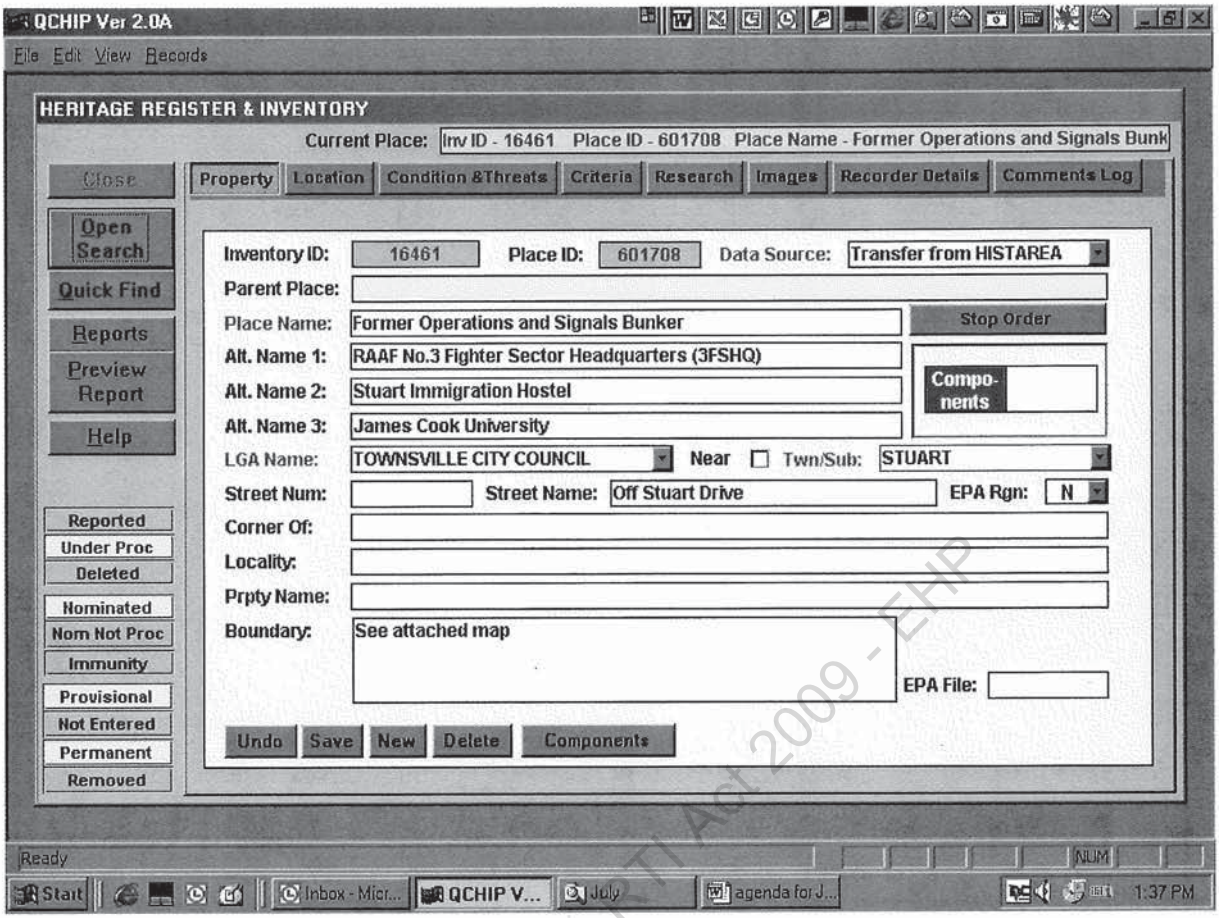

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Date of Assent: 2 June 2003

It is hereby notified for general information that, on 2 June 2003, His Excellency the Governor, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, assented to the undermentioned Bills passed by the Legislative Assembly of Queensland in Parliament assembled, *viz*—

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Valuation of Land Act 1944*
Short title: *Valuation of Land Amendment Act 2003* (Act No. 35 of 2003)
Commencement: Date of assent.

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1994* and other Acts
Short title: *Residential Tenancies and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2003* (Act No. 36 of 2003)
Commencement: This Act commences on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Weapons Act 1990*, and for other purposes
Short title: *Weapons (Handguns and Trafficking) Amendment Act 2003* (Act No. 37 of 2003)
Commencement: **(1)** This Act commences on a day to be fixed by proclamation.
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A Bill for an Act about applications under the *Integrated Planning Act 1997* and the *Land Act 1994* for the clearing of trees and other vegetation
Short title: *Vegetation (Application for Clearing) Act 2003* (Act No. 38 of 2003)
Commencement: Date of assent.

N J LAURIE
Clerk of the Parliament

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A Bill for an Act to amend the *Major Sports Facilities Act 2001*
Short title: *Major Sports Facilities Amendment Act 2003* (Act No. 33 of 2003)
Commencement: Date of assent.

A Bill for an Act to provide for a community ambulance cover levy, and for other purposes
Short title: *Community Ambulance Cover Act 2003* (Act No. 34 of 2003)
Commencement: Part 12 commences on 1 July 2003.

N J LAURIE
Clerk of the Parliament

HERITAGE COUNCIL – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Heritage Register Proposal

Under the provisions of s30 (4) b, *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, the Heritage Council gives public notice that having considered the assessors report it has decided to proceed with a proposal for the entry on a permanent basis of the following places in the Heritage Register:—

Townsville: Former Operations and Signals Bunker RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, off Stuart Drive. Lot 110 on EP767. Parish of Stuart County of Elphinstone.

Gympie: Surface Hill Uniting Church, Channon Street. Lot 21 on G14726. Parish of Gympie County of March.

Toowoomba: Wislet (the Former Wesley Hospital), 129 Russell Street. Lot 9 on RP815711. Parish of Drayton County of Aubigny.

Townsville: Selhurst, 24 Cleveland Terrace, Melton Hill. Lots 3 & 4 on RP701633. Parish of Coonambelah County of Elphinstone.

Townsville: Former Townsville Post Office, 252-270 Flinders Street. Lot 1 on RP735183. Parish of Coonambelah County of Elphinstone.

Townsville: North Ward Defence Complex, 4-6 Oxley Street, North Ward. Lots 1 & 3 on SP148258 and Lot 4 on RP713165. Parish of Coonambelah County of Elphinstone.

The owner of the above places may within 30 days, after notice of the decision, appeal to the Planning and Environment Court against permanent entry in the Heritage Register. An appeal may be made only on the basis that a place is not of cultural heritage significance or does not satisfy the criteria for entry in the Register.

Please address all correspondence to the Heritage Council care of the Heritage Council Secretariat, Cultural Heritage, Environmental Protection Agency, PO Box 155, Brisbane Albert Street, QLD 4002

Please note that all representations received by the Heritage Council in response to this advertisement are considered to be public information unless otherwise determined.

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	73(2)Irrelevant	
147.7.9	**REVIEW OF PROVISIONAL ENTRY IN THE HERITAGE REGISTER: NIL**	
147.7.10	**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO PERMANENT ENTRY IN THE HERITAGE REGISTER:**	
147.7.11	**OBJECTIONS TO PROVISIONAL ENTRY IN THE HERITAGE REGISTER: ONE (For information only) See also P 1 of Minutes** 73(2)Irrelevant	
147.7.12	**OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED REMOVAL FROM HERITAGE REGISTER:**	
147.7.13	**APPOINTMENT OF ASSESSORS FOR PERIOD: NIL (For information only)** 73(2)Irrelevant	
147.7.14	**ASSESSOR'S REPORT RECEIVED FOR PERIOD:**	
147.7.14.1	73(2)Irrelevant	
147.7.14.2	601708 Former Operations and Signals Bunker, Townsville Photographs were tabled. ***HERITAGE COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 147.20*** **Having considered the objection to the permanent**	Release

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	Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville permanently in the Heritage Register. **MOVED: David Kernke SECONDED: John Adams CARRIED: Unanimous**	
147.7.14.3	73(2)Irrelevant	
147.7.14.4		

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Subject

Former Operations and Signals Bunker RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters Stuart, Townsville

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Summary of Proposal

- The Queensland Heritage Council is to consider whether to proceed with the proposal to enter **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville** in the Queensland Heritage Register under the provisions of s.30(1) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992.*

Background & Issues

At its meeting on 28 August 1998 the Heritage Council, under the provisions of section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, provisionally entered **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville** in the Queensland Heritage Register. On 16 June 1999, then owners James Cook University lodged an objection to the entry of the place in the Queensland Heritage Register.

Assessor's Recommendation

That the RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (Former Operations and Signal Bunker), Stuart, Townsville is a place of cultural heritage significance and does satisfy one or more of the criteria specified in the Queensland Heritage Act 1992. That the existing boundary be retained in the entry on the Queensland Heritage Register.

Heritage Council Resolution

Option 1 Retain on Register

Having considered the objection to the permanent entry of **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville** in the Queensland Heritage Register, the entry in the Heritage Register, and the assessor's report, the Heritage Council resolves in accordance with s.30.(1) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* to enter **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville** permanently in the Heritage Register.

Option 2 Remove from Heritage Register

Resolution 1

Having considered the objection to the permanent entry of **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville** in the Queensland Heritage Register, the entry in the Heritage Register, and the assessor's report, the Heritage Council resolves in accordance with s.30.(1) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* not to enter **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville** permanently in the Heritage Register.

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Resolution 2
The Heritage Council resolves to remove the **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville** from the Heritage Register.

Attached
- Provisional Entry in Heritage Register
- Assessor's Report dated April 2003
- Letter of objection

Officer reporting
Nicola Stairmand
15 May 2003

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Name	Former Operations and Signals Bunker
Former/Other Name	RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/ Stuart Immigration Hostel/ Stuart House, James Cook University.
Location	Off Stuart Drive, Stuart, Q4811
RPD	Lot 110 on EP767, par Stuart co Elphinstone
Local Authority	Townsville City Council
AMG Map Sheet	R631 Sheet 8259 Ed 3-AAS **Grid** Du 811619
Listing boundary	See attached site plan
Other listings	

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Heritage Significance

The **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart** is a place of cultural heritage significance and satisfies one or more of the criteria specified in s.23(1) of the Act as evidenced, but not exclusively, by the following statement of heritage significance based on **criteria a, c, d & g.**

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker at Stuart, constructed in 1942-3, is significant as the former Headquarters of the Operations Section of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ), who controlled fighter operations and anti-aircraft defences through North Queensland and New Guinea. Occupied by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) in January 1945, the Former Operations and Signals Bunker played a pivotal role as the key communications centre for Allied Air Forces, operating out of Townsville during the final months of the Pacific War.

The exterior of the concrete bunker is a substantially intact example of its type and retains evidence of the camouflage paint scheme. Part of the fuse and telephone cable board is the only internal equipment to survive. Surrounding the bunker are remnants and material scatter from other structures of the complex, which have the potential to yield further information which will contribute to the understanding of the site.

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is one of a number of WWII structures and complexes which survive in the Townsville area, demonstrating the substantial role the region, and particularly Townsville, played in the war in the Pacific.

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker During has special association for the numbers of European migrants who were accommodated in the complex after WWII, many of whom have remained in North Queensland. The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is also associated with James Cook University, when, during the 1960s, in the foundation years of University, the complex was used as temporary halls of residence for students.

History

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker(3FSHQ) was constructed between 1942 and 1944 for No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters. Soon after moving to the site in late 1944 the operations of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters was subsumed into Air Defence Headquarters operations.

The increase in Japanese military activity in Asia in the late 1930s led the Australian Government to establish air bases in the north of Australia. The Department of Defence began negotiations with the Townsville City Council to transfer the Garbutt aerodrome to the Commonwealth in early 1939. The acquisition was completed on 12 December 1940 and construction of three, 5000 ft, sealed runways began in 1941.

Japanese military activity in the Pacific region increased after the bombing of Pearl Harbour on 7 December, 1941. Faced with the threat of invasion the Australian and American Governments began to develop a major military base in the Townsville Region.

The Garbutt runways, designed for B17 bombers, were completed in February 1942, just prior to the arrival of units of the 5th Air Force, United States Army Air Force. Additional bomber bases were established at Charters Towers and Cloncurry and a number of airstrips for fighter aircraft were constructed between Townsville and Charters Towers.

3FSHQ was first established in temporary accommodation at Townsville Grammar School on 25 February 1942. 3FSHQ Townsville was formed to support airborne units located in the North Queensland area. As the war extended to the islands north of New Guinea, its operational area enlarged to cover the area stretching from Rockhampton in the south to Mount Isa in the west and New Guinea in the north. 3FSHQ controlled fighter squadron operations and coordinated anti-aircraft defences. Radio watches for bomber and reconnaissance aircraft were also maintained from the Operations Centre.

3FSHQ was also connected by telephone and radio to anti-aircraft guns and searchlights, and with RDF stations and high frequency direction finding (HF/DF) stations in the Townsville and Charters Towers area. The role of high frequency directional radio stations was to assist fighter pilots to get their bearings during airborne patrols. The station was linked by telephone to RAAF Headquarters in Melbourne and was responsible for keeping the RAAF Command informed of all developments. The Operations Centre was also responsible for activating air raid warnings. It also provided position plots for courier and civil aircraft operating between Brisbane and New Guinea.

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While 3FSHQ was located at the Grammar School from 1942 to 1944 the location was not ideal because it was vulnerable to air attack. Planning for the construction of a new Fighter Sector Headquarters began in 1942. The new complex was constructed on the lower, eastern slopes of Mt Stuart on 68 acres of land requisitioned by the Commonwealth in August 1942. The site was regarded as ideal as it was some distance from the main airfields and the public eye, but still close enough to the various other installations it liaised with. In the event of an enemy raid, its position was such that it would have been difficult to attack, and the area's natural camouflage would have made it difficult to locate.

Construction of the complex began in late 1942 with the Operations and Signals Bunker ready by early 1943. However, by November 1943 the bunker, identified as a semi-underground building because all cabling was laid underground, was not yet occupied[1] because associated accommodation facilities had not been completed. The delay related to the fact that the complex was located some distance from the airfield and there was some question as to whether the facility could provide briefing to air crews in an adequate time frame. Eventually the site become operational in late 1944.

The bunker itself was fully airconditioned and housed its own power plant. The interior had a steel mezzanine floor splitting it into two levels and was divided into 32 rooms and passage ways by caneite partitions. Located within the building was the Operations Room, Engine Room, RDF Filter Room, Voluntary Air Observer Corp (VAOC) Liaison Room, Main Operations Room Dais, Aircraft Movements Section, RDF Supervisors Room, Signal Officers Room, W/T Workshop and PMG Switch Room.

The Administration Section was also moved to the Stuart site and commenced functioning on 29 December 1944. On 25 January 1945 the Royal Australian Airforce established their Air Defence Headquarters in the Stuart complex; from where they operated until 1947.

The complex, except for the bunker, was utilised after the war as an immigration depot and migrant hostel. Additional huts were placed on the site to provide more accommodation for migrants who arrived in large numbers after the war. Many of these migrants have made their homes in North Queensland.

In 1961 James Cook University of North Queensland purchased the site for student accommodation while the residential halls at Douglas were under construction. The bunker was still partially furnished at the time the property was purchased by the university. There was a large mapping table in the main room complete with maps and maps on the wall still had marker pins in them. The switchboards and other communication equipment were still largely intact. Photographs, taken at the time, were deposited with the university.

Soon after, in 1962 or 1963, the interior of the bunker was destroyed by fire. In the early 1970s the site was vacated and the barracks either demolished or removed. The property is still under the control of the university although the bunker is the only remaining structure on the site.

Description

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The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is a rectangular two-storeyed concrete bunker set into the hillside at the base of Mt Stuart. The site is set back from Stuart Drive, which becomes the highway west to Charters Towers, and is about ten kilometres south-west of Townsville's city centre.

The bunker, measuring about 18 x 13 metres, has a flat concrete roof, engaged piers to the side walls and a boarded formwork finish. Remnants of its external camouflage colour scheme, chosen to blend with the pink granite of the hill, are still evident.

The bunker consists of a main room which is two-stories in height, with smaller separate rooms attached to the front. The main room retains evidence of the mezzanine floor, air-conditioning ducts and wc's.

The front section contains some six separate smaller rooms of two levels. Access to the four rooms at the centre is from the exterior and access to the two rooms at the western end is from the main room. The lower of the two western rooms contains the large metal frame of the fuse and telephone cable board with some fuses still visible, which is the only surviving piece of equipment in the structure. Part of the floor of this room appears to be rubble, filling a small tunnel for cables.

To either side of the bunker are two circular structures, possibly bases for communication aerials or anchors for the camouflage net for the bunker. They are some four metre wide and constructed of low stone walls with a conical concrete cap.

Between the bunker, the creek to the north-west and the road to the north-east are several concrete slabs, concrete steps and scatters of building material and other artefacts. These are remnants of other structures of the complex, possibly ablutions blocks and hot water boiler stands.

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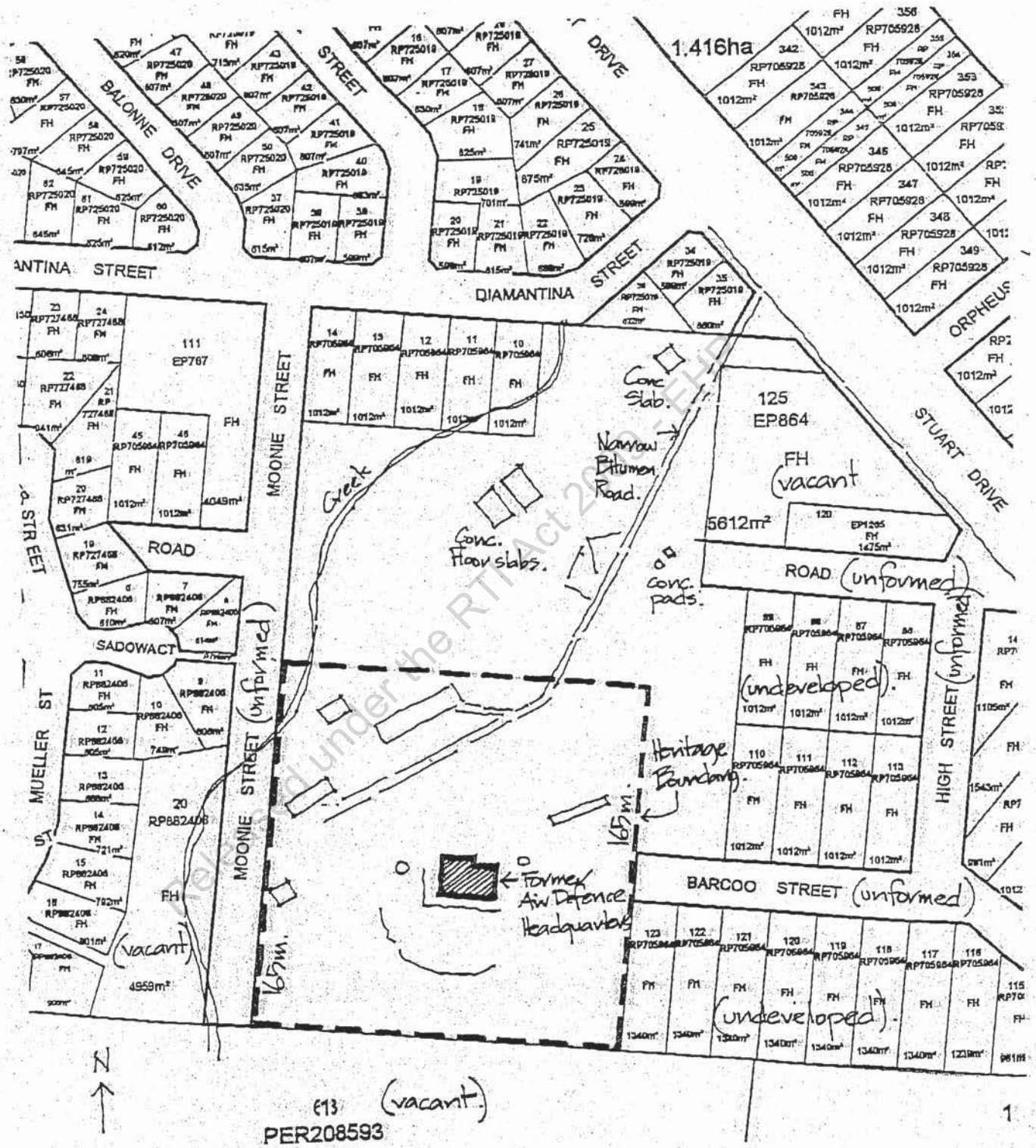
Process:
Pursuant to the provisions of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992, the Heritage Council has formed the opinion that this is a place of cultural significance which satisfies one or more of the criteria for provisional entry in the Heritage Register and that it is possible for the cultural heritage significance of the place to be conserved.

The decision of the Heritage Council is recorded in the minutes of the Council meeting of 28 August 1998.

The Heritage Council reduced the heritage register boundary of the place and this decision is recorded in the minutes of the Heritage Council meeting of 23 July 1999.

Note: This document has been prepared on the basis of current information, and assessed under the criteria in the Queensland Heritage Act. This document may be reassessed if further evidence becomes available. The statement of significance specifies the most important heritage values of the place. The purpose of this document is to provide an informed evaluation for heritage registration. This does not negate the need for a thorough conservation study by a qualified practitioner, or Cultural Heritage Branch consultation, before any action is taken which may affect the significance of the place.

Former Air Defence Headquarters
Townsville



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RAAF NO. 3 FIGHTER SECTOR HEADQUARTERS (FORMER OPERATIONS AND SIGNAL BUNKER)

STUART, TOWNSVILLE

April 2003

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

for the Queensland Heritage Council

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Jane Harrington

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Property Description
Lots 110 on EP767, Parish of Stuart, County of Elphinstone

Address
Stuart, Townsville (off Stuart Drive)

File Number
601708

Name of Assessor
Jane Harrington

Heritage Council Decision/s and Date Thereof
The Heritage Council has formed the opinion that this is a place of cultural significance which satisfies one of more of the criteria for provisional entry in the Heritage Register and that it is possible for the cultural heritage significance of the place to be conserved. Date: 28 August 1998.

The Heritage Council reduced the heritage register boundary of the place. Date: 23 July 1999.

Date of Objection
Letter in objection dated 16 June 1999.

Name of Objector
James Cook University

Grounds of Objection
Summary: the heritage curtilage surrounding the bunker should be no more than 10 metres.

Date of Report
April 2003

Assessor's Decision
That the RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (Former Operations and Signal Bunker), Stuart, Townsville is a place of cultural heritage significance and does satisfy one or more of the criteria specified in the Queensland Heritage Act 1992. That the existing boundary be retained in the entry on the Queensland Heritage Register.

Reasons for Decision
See attached Assessor's Report

Criteria relied upon
Section 23(1) (a), (c), (d) & (g)

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ASSESSOR'S REPORT

I, Jane Harrington, being the Assessor appointed under Section 28 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* in respect to an objection by James Cook University, the (then) owner of the RAAF No. 3 Fighter Headquarters (Former Operations and Signal Bunker), Stuart, Townsville, have inquired into the objection and am of the opinion that the boundary as currently indicated on the entry on the Queensland Heritage Register should be retained.

My reasons for formulating such an opinion are set out below.

1 BACKGROUND TO REPORT

The Heritage Council considers that the RAAF No. 3 Fighter Headquarters (Former Operations and Signal Bunker), Stuart, Townsville is a place of cultural heritage significance and satisfies one of more of the criteria specified in S.23(1) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*. Further, the Heritage Council considers that there should be no amendment to the heritage register to reduce the boundary any further than that approved at the meeting of the Heritage Council on 28 August 1998.

At the time of the Heritage Council's decisions, the property was owned by James Cook University. The university objected to the extent of the heritage boundary and proposed that this should be no greater than a distance of 10 metres surrounding the bunker structure. The university did not object to the listing of the place.

Subsequent to the provisional listing on the Heritage Register, the ownership of the property was transferred to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines. In a letter dated 30 January 2002, James Cook University advised the Heritage Council of the transfer of ownership and notified that their objection was withdrawn. This was reiterated in a subsequent letter from the university, dated 9 January 2003.

No objection has been received from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines. During a telephone conversation on 14 April 2003 with Ms Jacinta Ryan, representing the District Land Asset Management Office for the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, she confirmed that the Department supported the listing as proposed and that no objection would be lodged.

A telephone conversation was held with Dr Dorothy Gibson-Wilde on 14 April 2003, in her capacity as a representative of the Townsville National Trust. She reiterated the Trust's endorsement of the nomination and support for the addition of the RAAF No. 3 Fighter Headquarters (Former Operations and Signal Bunker) to the Queensland Heritage Register.

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2 CULTURAL HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The Heritage Council has formed the opinion that the Former Operations and Signal Bunker, is a place of cultural heritage significance that satisfies one of more of the criteria for provisional entry in the Heritage Register and that it is possible for the cultural heritage significance of the place to be conserved.

For the purposes of this report, I am assuming that the justification for the Heritage Council's decision is contained in the arguments presented against criteria (a), (c), (d) & (g) in the registration document. These criteria endorse that the Former Operations and Signal Bunker is a place of cultural heritage significance for its *historical, information potential, typological, and social* values.

The Objection as originally tendered supports that the place is of cultural heritage significance. No argument was tendered with the objection to support the exclusion of the surrounding land. It is my opinion that the extent of the boundary should not be reduced as the area so enclosed is contributory to the place's cultural heritage significance. I base this opinion on the following:

1. The *Australia ICOMOS Burra Charter 1999* (the Burra Charter) supports the importance of taking a wholistic approach to heritage significance, including the necessity to consider a place in its wider setting. The Charter defines setting as 'the area around a *place*, which may include the visual catchment'. Article 8 of the Charter refers to 'Setting' and states the following (emphasis added in bold):

> ***Conservation*** **requires the retention of an appropriate visual *setting* and other relationships that contribute to the *cultural significance* of the *place*.**
> New construction, demolition, intrusions or other changes which would adversely affect the setting or relationships are not appropriate.
> **Aspects of the visual setting may include use, siting, bulk, form, scale, character, colour, texture and materials.**
> Other relationships, such as historical connections, may contribute to interpretation, appreciation, enjoyment or experience of the place.

In addition, Article 3 of the *Guidelines to the Charter (Cultural Significance) 1988*, states as follows (emphasis added in bold):

> In establishing the cultural significance of a place it is necessary to assess all the information relevant to an understanding of the place and its fabric ... Such information concerns:
> **(a) the developmental sequence of the place and its relationship to the surviving fabric;**
> **(b) the existence and nature of lost or obliterated fabric;**
> **(c) the rarity and/or technical interest of all or any part of the place;**
> **(d) the functions of the place and its parts;**
> **(e) the relationship of the place and its parts with its setting;**
> (f) the cultural influences which have affected the form and fabric of the place;
> (g) the significance of the place to people who use or have used the place, or descendants of such people;

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(h) the historical content of the place with particular reference to the ways in which its fabric has been influenced by historical forces or has itself influenced the course of history;
(i) the scientific or research potential of the place;
(j) the relationship of the place to other places, for example in respect of design, technology, use, locality or origin;
(k) any other factor relevant to an understanding of the place.

Whatever may be considered the principal significance of a place, all other aspects of significance should be given consideration.

2. The site of the RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters was originally a fully operational and independent base that incorporated barrack buildings, kitchens and a recreational hall. It was established in its current location, because the site was deemed to be ideally located in terms of its distance from the main Townsville airfields and from easy public scrutiny, yet accessible to associated installations. In the event of an aircraft attack, this placement and the area's natural camouflage would have provided additional protection.

   After the Second World War, the complex was used as an immigration depot and migrant hostel, at which time additional buildings were constructed to provide accommodation facilities. The site was purchased by James Cook University in 1961 and the buildings used for student accommodation.

3. The bunker is today the only remaining building on the site. However, the setting of the complex remains intact, and as indicated above, is an important aspect of the history and use of the site. The visual setting reflects the use, size, form and shape of the original complex. In addition, the area has potential to provide further information of its use, particularly through possible future archaeological investigation. All of the heritage values that have been identified as contributing to the cultural heritage significance of the site – *historical, information potential, typological, and social* values – are related to the history, use and understanding of the entire complex and not restricted to the bunker building and a small surrounding curtilage.

It is therefore my opinion that the exclusion of the land as proposed in the objection would result in a loss of the cultural heritage significance associated with the site.

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16 June, 1999.

Ms. Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage
Envirnomental Protection Agency
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BRISBANE Q 4002

Dear Ms. Gregory,

Provisional Entry of the Former RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters In the Queensland Heritage Register

Thank you for your letter of 7 April 1999. I wish to advise that the University is willing to accept the suggested provisional entry of the bunker in the Queensland Heritage Register, plus a heritage curtilage of 10 metres on all sides.

As the requested plan of the site is A3 size and therefore not suitable for reduction and forwarding by fax, I will attach this to the original of this letter, and forward it to you by mail.

It is understood from discussions with Ms Joanne Edwards that in accepting the entry of this land to the Queensland Heritage Register, the University will not be precluded from developing this portion of the land, providing that prior approval from the Heritage Council has been obtained.

Yours sincerely,

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Acting Director, Central Services

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29 September, 1998

Ms Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage
Department of Environment
PO Box 155
BRISBANE, ALBERT STREET, QLD 4002

Dear Ms Gregory,

Thank you for your advice of the provisional listing of the former RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters etc., in accordance with the Queensland Heritage Act.

As you will know, James Cook University holds this property under a Deed of Grant in Trust from the Crown for Educational Purposes. Should the University decide at any time that it has no use for the property, it has to be offered back to the Crown, and it is a matter for Crown discretion as to whether or not any compensation is payable.

While acknowledging the possible cultural significance of the bunker, (measuring about 18 x 13 metres, = 234 sq metres or 0.0234ha) we wish to object formally to the proposed listing on the following grounds.

a) The extent of the area proposed for listing is grossly excessive. At 2.7225ha it is more than 116 times the area of the bunker.

b) The surrounding area is of no historic value. The roads and concrete slab were associated with low quality buildings that were built for short term use. The last of them was removed from the site in about 1974.

c) The excessive area of zoning alienates valuable developable land. James Cook University's long term purpose in retaining the land has been for possible future off-campus student accommodation. The listing of an excessive area severely restricts development potential.

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d) The attempted justification of retention of the large area because of "remnants and material scatter" from other structures grossly inflates the potential value of remaining debris from common structures and utilities services found extensively across the region. This is nothing unique about them.

We therefore request that the listing be restricted to the bunker building.

Yours sincerely,

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Queensland **Parks and Wildlife Service**

5 June 2003

Mr Peter Hill
Director, Central Services
James Cook University
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TOWNSVILE QLD 4811

Dear Mr Hill

re: Objection to the permanent entry in the Heritage Register of the Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville.

I refer to my previous correspondence regarding the appointment of Ms Jane Harrington as the independent assessor to inquire into your objection to the permanent entry in the Queensland Heritage Register for the **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville.**

Ms Harrington's assessor's report was considered by the Heritage Council at its meeting of 30 May 2003. At this meeting the Heritage Council resolved to permanently enter the Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters in the Queensland Heritage Register, in accordance with the recommendation of the assessor.

Please find a copy of the assessor's report, and the resolution of the Heritage Council enclosed for your interest and information.

Please note that under s.30 (5) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* if the owner is dissatisfied with the decision of the council to enter a place in the Heritage Register on a permanent basis, the owner may within 30 days after notice of the decision, appeal to the Planning and Environment Court against that decision. Section 30(6) of the Act provides that the appeal may only be made on the basis that the place is not of cultural heritage significance or does not satisfy the criteria for entry in the register.

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If you have any queries concerning this matter please contact Mr Ken Horrigan, Manager, Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat, at the above address or on (07) 3227 8988.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mr Guthrie

re: Objection to the permanent entry in the Heritage Register of the Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville.

I refer to my previous correspondence concerning the provisional entry in the Queensland Heritage Register for the **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville.** There was an objection to the permanent entry of the Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters in the Heritage Register. The Heritage Council appointed an assessor to enquire into and report to the Heritage Council on the objection.

The assessor's report was considered by the Heritage Council at its meeting of 30 May 2003. At this meeting the Heritage Council resolved to permanently enter the Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters in the Queensland Heritage Register, in accordance with the recommendation of the assessor.

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Ms Jane Harrington
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Dear Ms Harrington

re: Objection to the permanent entry in the Heritage Register of the Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville.

I refer to your assessor's report that was considered by the Heritage Council at its meeting of 30 May 2003. At this meeting the Heritage Council resolved to permanently the Former Operations and Signals Bunker, RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart, Townsville, in the Queensland Heritage Register in accordance with your recommendation.

Please find attached a copy of the resolution of the Heritage Council for your information.

Thankyou for undertaking the assessment for the Heritage Council.

If you have any queries concerning this matter please contact Mr Ken Horrigan, Manager, Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat, at the above address or on (07) 3227 8988.

Yours sincerely

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11 March, 2003

Jane Harrington
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Dear Ms Harrington

Re: Application under s.29(3)(b) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* for an Extension of time in which to submit the assessor's report on the enquiry into the objection to the entry in the Queensland Heritage Register of the Former RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Townsville.

I write to inform you that in response to the above application, an extension of time in which to receive your report on the enquiry into the above objection has been granted to 5 May 2003.

Any query with regard to the assessment process should be addressed Ms Jo Besley on (07) 3227 6581.

Yours sincerely

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Ken Horrigan
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B/c Mr Andrew Border, Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, EPA Northern Region, Townsville

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6 March 2003

Approved PH 7/3/03

To: Peter Hutchison, Director, Cultural Heritage

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Through: Ken Horrigan, Manager, Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat

From: Jo Besley A/Principal Heritage Assessment Architect

Subject: **Extension of Time to Receive an Assessor's Report**
Delegation under section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Honourable the Minister for Environment and Heritage under section 29(3)(b).

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BACKGROUND and ISSUES

- At its meeting of 13 December 2002, the Heritage Council, under the provisions of section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* (the Act), provisionally entered **the RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville** in the Queensland Heritage Register.

- The James Cook University and the Townsville City Council were notified and public notice was given in accordance with section 24(4)(a) and section 24(4)(b) of the Act.

- A period of 30 days was allowed for the owners of the place or any other person to object to the entry of the place in the Heritage Register as outlined in section 26(1).

- If an objection is received to the entry of a place, the Heritage Council must, in accordance with section 28 of the Act, within fourteen days after receiving the objection select an assessor from the panel of assessors and refer the objection to the assessor, for their independent report to the Heritage Council.

- Also in accordance with section 28, the Minister may extend this 14 day timeframe. Under section 7 of the Act, the Minister may delegate this power. An Instrument of Delegation signed by the Minister on 15 October 2002 delegates power under Section 28 to the following:
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  2. Deputy Director-General, Environmental Protection Agency
  3. Executive Director, Planning, Environmental Protection Agency

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5. Director, Cultural Heritage Branch, Environmental Protection Agency
6. Director, Environment, Southern Region, Environmental Protection Agency
7. Director, Environment, Northern Region, Environmental Protection Agency
8. Director, Environment, Central Region, Environmental Protection Agency
9. Manager, Environmental Planning, Southern Region, Environmental Protection Agency
10. Manager, Environmental Planning, Northern Region, Environmental Protection Agency
11. Manager, Environmental Planning, Central Region, Environmental Protection Agency

- By application of 29 September, 1998, James Cook University lodged an objection to the permanent entry in the Heritage Register of the **RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville.**

- Several Extensions of Time have been granted to allow negotiations with James Cook University regarding the heritage listing boundary of the place. In 2002 the deed of grant in trust for the place were transferred from James Cook University to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines. DNRM has been informed of the provisional entry in the heritage register and asked for its view. An extension of time was granted from 31 December 2002 to 30 June 2003.

- By Instrument of Appointment dated 14 January 2003, the Chair of the Queensland Heritage Council appointed Ms Jane Harrington to enquire into the objection and report to the Heritage Council. Ms Harrington has 60 days from 5 February 2003 until 31 March 2003 in which to complete her report.

- In accordance with section 29(3)(b), the Minister may extend the 60 day timeframe in which the assessor must report to the Heritage Council. Under section 7 of the Act, the Minister may delegate this power. An Instrument of Delegation signed by the Minister on 15 October 2002 delegates power under Section 29(3)(b) to the following:
  1. Chief Executive Officer, Environmental Protection Agency
  2. Deputy Director-General, Environmental Protection Agency
  3. Executive Director, Planning, Environmental Protection Agency
  4. Executive Director, Environmental Operations, Environmental Protection Agency
  5. Director, Cultural Heritage Branch, Environmental Protection Agency
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  10. Manager, Environmental Planning, Northern Region, Environmental Protection Agency
  11. Manager, Environmental Planning, Central Region, Environmental Protection Agency

- By letter dated 27 February 2003, Ms Harrington requested an extension time in which to complete her report as she is undertaking several assessments at this time.

- It is recommended that an extension of time of five weeks be granted, from 31 March 2003 to 5 May 2003, to receive the assessor's report for the enquiry into the objection to the entry in the Queensland Heritage Register of **RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville.**

- **Place:** **RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters.**
  File No. **60 1708**
  Extension: **from 31 March 2003 to 5 May 2003**

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Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Director, Cultural Heritage, under delegation approve an extension of time from 31 March 5 May for the processes of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* as set out above.

Approved

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Peter Hutchison
Director, Cultural Heritage

Date 7/3/03

Not Approved

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Peter Hutchison
Director, Cultural Heritage

Date.....

Yours sincerely

Jo Besley
A/Principal Heritage Assessment Architect

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27 February 2003

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ORIGINAL APPLICATION ON BNE2771

Dear Mr Armstrong

RE: APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR ASSESSOR'S REPORT
Queensland Heritage Act 1992

Please find enclosed applications to extend the Assessor's report time for the following three Townsville properties:

- North Ward Defence Complex
- Former Post Office
- RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters

Thank you for your consideration in relation to the above. Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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JANE HARRINGTON

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Application form

Extension of time for receipt of an Assessor's report

s.29(3)(b) *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*

Information

This form asks for activity specific details in relation to the 'extension of time for receipt of an assessors report' pursuant to Section 29(3)(b) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*. Approval is required before you can proceed lawfully with your project and any associated activities.

Please read the information sheets and any guidelines included with your application kit to understand the environmental management and conservation issues, policies and procedures which relate to the activities proposed.

1. Specific information requirements

Details of place

Project reference no.		Queensland Heritage Register no.	601708
Name of place and/or former name	RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (Former Operations and Signal Bunker)		
Location or address	Off Stuart Drive, Stuart, Townsville		
Real property description	Lot 110 on EP767, Parish of Stuart, County of Elphinstone		
Local government	City of Townsville		
Ownership details	Department of Natural Resources and Mines		

Details of person making objection

Name Include organization (if applicable)	Peter Hill, Director of Central Services, James Cook University
Postal address	James Cook University, Douglas, QLD 4811
Contact details	Provide telephone number during business hours: (07) 4781 4734

Grounds or reasons for request for extension of time for receipt of an Assessor's report. Please indicate in the space below if you have attached any additional information.

Existing work program commitments (as discussed with Ken Horrigan at the time of accepting the Assessment project)

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2. Declaration

Note: If you have not told the truth in this application you may be liable for prosecution under the relevant Acts or Regulations.

- I do solemnly and sincerely declare that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act 1867.*
- I understand that all information supplied on or with this application form may be disclosed publicly in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* and the *Evidence Act 1977.*

Applicant's signature	Date
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Applicant's name

JANE HARRINGTON

3. Applicant checklist

- [x] Applicant details correct
- [x] Read and understood information sheets
- [x] Application form completed and signed
- [ ] Supporting information

Please return your completed application to:

Heritage Council Secretariat
Cultural Heritage Branch
Environmental Protection Agency
PO Box 155
Brisbane Albert Street
Queensland 4002.

Enquiries: **(07) 3227 6499**
Facsimile: (07) 3227 7803

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Enquiries Jo Besley
Telephone (07) 3227 6581
Your reference
Our reference 601708

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13 February, 2003

Mr Peter Hill
Director, Central Services
James Cook University
Townsville Campus
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4811

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Dear Mr Hill

Re: Assessment under the provisions of s.29 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992,* of the objection to the entry in the Queensland Heritage Register of the RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville.

I refer to our previous fax of 14 January 2003, explaining that an assessor must be appointed to consider your objection to the entry of the **RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, (former Operations and Signals Bunker)** in the Queensland Heritage Register.

An independent Assessor, Ms Jane Harrington, has been appointed to inquire into this objection. The Assessor's Report is to be considered at the 29 April 2003 meeting of the Queensland Heritage Council. Ms Harrington will be contacting you in the near future to seek representations from you in person and/or in writing. For your reference, Ms Harrington's telephone number is (07) 4781 6979.

Please remember that under the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* the assessor will need to consider whether the place for which you have objected to entry in the Heritage Register is of cultural heritage significance and whether the place satisfies the criteria for entry in the Heritage Register as set out in section 23(1) of the Act.

The Environmental Protection Agency has historical information concerning the **RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, (former Operations and Signals Bunker),** which may be of assistance in preparing your case to present to the assessor. This material will be made available to you at your request.

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If you have any queries concerning this matter please contact Ms Jo Besley at the above address or on (07) 3227 6581.

Yours sincerely

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Stewart Armstrong
A/Manager, Qld Heritage Council Secretariat

C/c Mr Andrew Border, Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, EPA, Northern Region, Townsville

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5 February 2003

Ms Jane Harrington
99 Tully Street
SOUTH TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

Dear Ms Harrington

Re: Assessment under the provisions of s.29 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, of the objection to the entry in the Queensland Heritage Register of RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville.

I write to advise that, as discussed, you have been selected under s.28 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* to be the assessor for the objection to the entry of **RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville** in the Queensland Heritage Register.

Your Assessor's Report is due to be delivered to the Heritage Council Secretariat in the Environmental Protection Agency by 31 March, 2003 to allow the Queensland Heritage Council to consider the matter at its meeting of 29 April, 2003. Should this not be possible, could you inform the Agency in writing immediately to allow us to request an extension of time from the Minister.

Please find enclosed a copy of the objection received to the entry of **RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville** in the Register, together with the provisional entry in the Heritage Register and file material held by the Environmental Protection Agency. The objector to the entry of the place on the Queensland Heritage Register is James Cook University. Peter Hill, Director of Central Services, Townsville Campus, can be contacted by telephone on (07) 4781 4734.

Your attention is drawn to section 29(2) of the Act which provides that

> *The assessor must allow the objector a reasonable opportunity to make representations personally or in writing to the assessor and may receive representations personally or in writing from, or consult with, such other persons as the assessor thinks fit.*

You will be remunerated at the rate of $1500 for your assessment. Travel and other expenses will also be reimbursed by the Agency if prior approval has been given. The Agency is unable to supply secretarial support for the production of the Assessors Report.

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Please do not hesitate to contact Jo Besley, on telephone (07) 3227 6581 should you have any queries regarding your assessment.

Yours sincerely

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SELECTION OF ASSESSOR UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 28 OF THE *QUEENSLAND HERITAGE ACT 1992*

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As the Chair of the Queensland Heritage Council and under the provisions section 28 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* and the delegation to the Chair under the provisions of section 15(1) of the Act and resolved at the Heritage Council meeting of 26 March 1999 (Resolution 96.4)

I, John Brannock, Chair of the Queensland Heritage Council select

Jane Harrington

as the assessor to report to the Heritage Council on the objection to the entry of the following places:

- **North Ward Defence Property [602147]**
- **RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart [601708]**
- **Selhurst, 24 Cleveland Terrace Melton Hill [601247]**
- **Former Townsville Post Office, [600911]**

in the Heritage Register.

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John Brannock

14 January 2003

Date

Ken Horrigan

From: ( ) Horrigan [ken.horrigan@epa.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Thursday, 16 January 2003 12:52 PM
To: Jane Harrington (E-mail)
Subject: assessor

Hi Jane

The Chair of the QHC is agreed to appoint you as assessor for the following objections:

- North Ward Defence Property
- RAAF No.3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart
- Selhurst, Cleveland Tce Melton Hill
- Former Townsville Post Office

I will prepare letters of appointment and details of objections next week. Please call if you have any queries.

Cheers

Ken

Ken Horrigan
Manager
Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat
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Fax

To:	Peter Hill, Director, Central Services James Cook University	**Fax:**	4725 2721
From:	Ken Horrigan Manager Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat Cultural Heritage Branch		
Telephone:	(07) 3227 8988	**Fax:**	(07) 3227 7803
E-mail:	Ken.Horrigan@epa.qld.gov.au		
Date:	14 January 2003	**Pages:**	1 (*including this page*)
Subject:	Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville - 601708		

Dear Mr Hill

Thank you for your letter dated 9 January 2003 advising that the James Cook University withdrew its objection to the place being entered in the Queensland Heritage Register by letter dated 30 January 2002.

I advise that recent legal opinion indicates that once an objection to a place being entered in the Heritage Register has been received, the Queensland Heritage Council must appoint and an assessor to consider the matter. An assessor must be appointed, even if agreement has been reached between both parties in relation to the objection.

Accordingly, I advise that an assessor will be appointed in the near future to resolve the matter.

I hope this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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Ken Horrigan

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9 January, 2003

Mr. Ken Horrigan
Manager
Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat
PO Box 155
BRISBANE ALBERT STREET Q 4002

Dear Mr. Horrigan,

Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville – Your Reference 601708

I refer to your letter dated 23 December, 2002.

In reply I enclose a copy of a letter dated ***30 January, 2002*** which was forwarded, regarding this matter, to Mr. Ray Osborne advising that the objection had been withdrawn.

Yours faithfully,

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Peter Hill
Director, Central Services

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Peter Renton, MIEAust, CPEng
Acting Director
Central Services
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E-mail Peter.Renton@jcu.edu.au

30 January, 2002

Mr Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage
Environmental Protection Agency
PO Box 155
Brisbane Albert Street
Queensland 4002

Dear Mr Osborne,

re: **Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville**

Thank you for your letter of 14th January 2002, referenced 601708.

With regard to our objection to the entry in the heritage register of the land surrounding the signals bunker at Stuart, I wish to confirm that the deeds of grant in trust were transferred to the Townsville Office of the District Land Asset Management, Department of Natural Resources and Mines, in November 2001.

Now that the transfer has taken place, the University has no further interest in the site, and our objection is withdrawn.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]
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Peter Renton

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Ken Horrigan

From: John Brannock [brannock@gil.com.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 7 January 2003 4:00 PM
To: Ken Horrigan
Cc: Marina Price
Subject: Assessors

Ken,
I agree with your preferences of assessors for Wallangarra, RBH, North Ward Defence ,RAAF HQ, Selhurst and the Townsville P.O..
Cheers,
John

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Ken Horrigan

From: Ken Horrigan [ken.horrigan@epa.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 7 January 2003 3:04 PM
To: John Brannock (E-mail 2); John Brannock (E-
Subject: assessor's reports

Hi John

73(2)Irrelevant

The other matter is:

- North Ward Defence Property
- RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, Stuart
- Selhurst, Melton Hill
- Former Townsville Post Office

My preference is Jane Harrington (single job-lot) who is a local. There are boundary issues with Selhurst and the defence properties, and the Townsville PO owners consider it has changed too much (now is a boutique brewery). My other preferences would again be Janet Marshall or Jinx Miles.

Cheers

Ken

Ken Horrigan
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Enquiries Joanne Ketter Site Registrar Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat
Telephone (07) 3227 8542
Your reference
Our reference 601708

23 December 2002

Mr Ted Dews
James Cook University
Townsville Campus
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4811

Dear Mr Dews

Re: Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville - Objection to the permanent entry into the Heritage Register

I write to advise that an extension of time has been granted to appoint an assessor under s.28 of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992, to consider the above objection from 31 December 2002 until 30 June 2003.

If you have any queries concerning this matter please contact Mr Ken Horrigan, Manager, Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat at the above address or on (07) 3227 8988.

Yours sincerely

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Ken Horrigan
Manager
Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat

C/c Mr Andrew Border, Manager, Environmental Planning, EPA, Northern Region, Townsville

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Memorandum

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Enquiries Joanne Ketter Site Registrar Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat
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Your reference
Our reference 601708

20 December 2002

To: Fiona Gardiner, A/Director, Cultural Heritage

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Through: Ken Horrigan, Manager, Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat

From: Joanne Ketter, Site Registrar, Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat

Subject: **Extension of Time to appoint an assessor**
Delegation under section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Minister under section 28.

RAAF No3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville
601708

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BACKGROUND and ISSUES

- At its meeting of 28 August 1998, the Heritage Council, under the provisions of section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* (the Act), provisionally entered the **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville** in the Heritage Register.

- The owner of the place, the James Cook University, and the local government authority, in this case the Townsville City Council were notified by mail and public notice was given in accordance with section 24(4)(a) and section 24(4)(b) of the Act.

- A period of 30 days was allowed for the owners of the place or any other person to object to the entry of the **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker),** in the Heritage Register as outlined in section 26(1) and section 26(2) of the Act. During this period, the James Cook University lodged an objection. The objection concerned the heritage register boundary of the place rather than the cultural heritage significance of the former Bunker with which they are in agreement.

- If an objection is received to the entry of a place in the Register, the Heritage Council must, in accordance with section 28 of the Act, within fourteen days after receiving the objection select an assessor from the panel of assessors and refer the objection to the assessor, for their independent report to the Heritage Council.

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- Also in accordance with section 28, the Minister may extend this 14 day timeframe. Under section 7 of the Act, the Minister may delegate this power. An Instrument of Delegation signed by the Minister on 24 December 1999 delegates power under section 28 to the Chief Executive, Environmental Protection Agency; the Director of Environmental Planning, Environmental Protection Agency; and the Director, Environmental operations, Environmental Protection Agency.

- Discussions have been held with the James Cook University and a heritage register boundary is being negotiated. James Cook University have forwarded a letter to the Cultural Heritage Branch indicating support for a reduced heritage register boundary.

- On 10 August 1999, the Heritage Register Advisory Committee considered the James Cook proposal and, on the basis that the heritage register boundary is too restricted, have resolved to defer the matter until future negotiations take place.

- Extensions of time in which to appoint an assessor were granted from 19 October 1998 to 21 April 1999, from 21 April 1999 to 21 June 1999, from 21 June 1999 to 21 August 1999, from 21 August 1999 to 21 February 2000, from 21 February 2000 to 21 April 2000, from 21 April 2000 to 21 July 2000,, from 21 July 2000 to 21 December 2000, from 21 December 2000 to 30 June 2001 and from 30 June 2001 to 31 December 2001 to allow negotiations to continue with the James Cook University regarding the heritage listing boundary of the place.

- James Cook University is in the process of transferring the deeds of grant in trust back to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines. DNRM has been informed of the provisional entry in the heritage register and asked for tis view. An extension of time to appoint an assessor was granted from 31 December 2001 to 31 December 2002.

- A further extension of time is requested to negotiate a heritage listing boundary with DNRM.

Place:	**RAAF No3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**
File No.	**601708**
Extension:	**31 December 2002 to 30 June 2003**

Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Director, Cultural Heritage, under delegation approve an extension of time from 31 December 2002 to 30 June 2003 for the processes of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* as set out above.

Approved ✓

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Fiona Gardiner
A/Director
Cultural Heritage

Date 20/12/02

Not Approved

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Fiona Gardiner
A/Director
Cultural Heritage

Date.....

Yours sincerely

Joanne Ketter
Site Registrar
Queensland Heritage Council Secretariat

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HERITAGE COUNCIL

QUEENSLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE

Heritage Register Proposal

Under the provisions of s.24 (4) (a), *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, the Heritage Council gives public notice that it proposes to enter in the Heritage Register on a permanent basis the following places:—

601576 **Cairns:** Cairns City Council Chambers, 151 Abbott Street, Cairns. Lot 701-707 and Lots 727-730 on Plan C1981, Parish of Cairns, County of Nares.

601589 **Cairns:** Masonic Temple, 8-8A Minnie Street, Cairns. Lot 1 on Registered Plan 708836<20305215> and Lot 2 of Registered Plan 708836<N0315/66>, Parish of Cairns, County of Nares.

601330 **Gladstone:** Kullaroo House, 40 Goondoon Street, Gladstone. Lot 4 on Registered Plan 906141, Parish of Gladstone, County of Clinton.

601649 **Gold Coast:** Former Southport Town Hall, corner Nerang and Davenport Streets. Lot 18 on Plan S1862132, Parish of Nerang, County of Ward.

601479 **Gold Coast:** Southport Drill Hall, Owen Park, 210 Queen Street, Southport. Part of Lot 26 on Registered Plan 844053, Parish of Nerang, County of Ward.

602039 **Manly:** Retaining Wall (otherwise known as The Great Wall of Manly), Road Reserve, corner of Falcon and Wellington Streets, Manly. Parish of Tingalpa, County of Stanley.

602019 **Toowong:** Toowong Swimming Pool, south corner of Booth Street and Coronation Drive, Toowong. Lots 82-86 on Registered Plan 18664.

602011 **Toowong:** Toowong Municipal Library, 579-583 Coronation Drive. Lot 2 on Registered Plan 54052 and Lots 80-81 on Registered Plan 18664, Parish of Enoggera, County of Stanley.

601710 **Toowoomba:** Toowoomba Police Station Complex, 50-52 Neil Street, Toowoomba. Lot 12 on Plan D10392: Reserve 673, Parish of Drayton, County of Aubigny.

602049 **Townsville:** Townsville & District Education Centre (formerly West End State School), 27-39 Ingham Road, Townsville. Lot 706 on Plan N25283, Parish of Coonambelah, County of Elphinstone.

601708 **Townsville:** "Former Operations and Signals Bunker, (RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters) (3FSHQ)/ Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House (Part of James Cook University)", Off Stuart Drive, Stuart. Part of Lot 63 on Plan EP2200 (Reserve 433). Parish of Stuart, County of Elphinstone.

601024 **West End:** Thomas Dixon Centre, 406 Montague Road, West End. Lot 417 on Plan SL8190. Parish of South Brisbane, County of Stanley.

602040 **Wynnum:** Wynnum Wading Pool Reserve (formerly Manly Wading Pool), Pandanus Beach Reserve, The Esplanade, Wynnum. Parish of Tingalpa, County of Stanley.

The owner or any person may object to the permanent entry of the above places in the Heritage Register. Objections may be made only on the basis that a place is not of cultural heritage significance and does not satisfy the criteria for entry in the Register. Objections stating the detailed grounds must be lodged with the Heritage Council by close of business on 5 October, 1998. If no objections are received then the places will be permanently entered in the Heritage Register.

Heritage Council, care of the Director, Cultural Heritage Branch, Department of Environment, PO Box 155, Brisbane Albert Street, Qld, 4002.

Please note that all representations received by the Heritage Council in response to this advertisement are considered to be public information unless otherwise determined.

NOTIFICATION OF EXEMPTION

Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994
Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Regulation 1995

Queensland Department of Transport
Brisbane, 2 September, 1998

I, Captain John Richard Watkinson, Executive Director (Maritime), Maritime Division, Queensland Department of Transport pursuant to Section 18A of the *Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994*, exempt all persons operating ships in the events detailed in the Schedule from Section 206A of the *Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994.*

SCHEDULE

Events consisting of Power Boat, water ski and "tinnie" races to be conducted by the Ingham Maraka Festival Inc., on 11 October, 1998 over the waters of Victoria Creek at Taylors Beach, as shown in red on the course map prepared by the Department, designated "Plan A1-49", and held at the Regional Harbour Master's Office in Townsville.

CAPTAIN JOHN RICHARD WATKINSON
Executive Director (Maritime)
Maritime Division
Queensland Department of Transport

NOTIFICATION OF EXEMPTION

Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994
Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Regulation 1995

Queensland Department of Transport
Brisbane, 27 August, 1998

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SCHEDULE

Events consisting of water ski races to be conducted by the Sandy Hook Ski Club, on 6 September, 1998, over the waters of the Sandy Hook Reach of the Burnett River, as shown in red on the course map prepared by the Department, designated "Plan A1-45", prepared on 16 March, 1998, and held at the Regional Harbour Master's Office at Gladstone and the Marine Operations Office at Bundaberg.

CAPTAIN JOHN RICHARD WATKINSON
Executive Director (Maritime)
Maritime Division
Queensland Department of Transport

DECLARATION OF A POLICE ESTABLISHMENT

I, Andrew Francis Kidcaff, Assistant Commissioner, Central Police Region, having been delegated pursuant to section 4.10 of the *Police Service Administration Act 1990*, by Delegation Number D 15.14 dated 17 January 1995, the power to declare police establishments pursuant to Section 10.10 of the *Police Service Administration Act 1990*, hereby declare the following vehicle to be a temporary police establishment:

Holden utility, Registered Number 959-DXM appropriated to the use of, or used by, the Police Service at Clermont, for the purpose of performing functions of the Service from and including 18 September 1998 to 20 September 1998.

Declaration made at Rockhampton in the State of Queensland, on the twenty-sixth day of August, 1998.

A. F. KIDCAFF
Assistant Commissioner
Central Police Region

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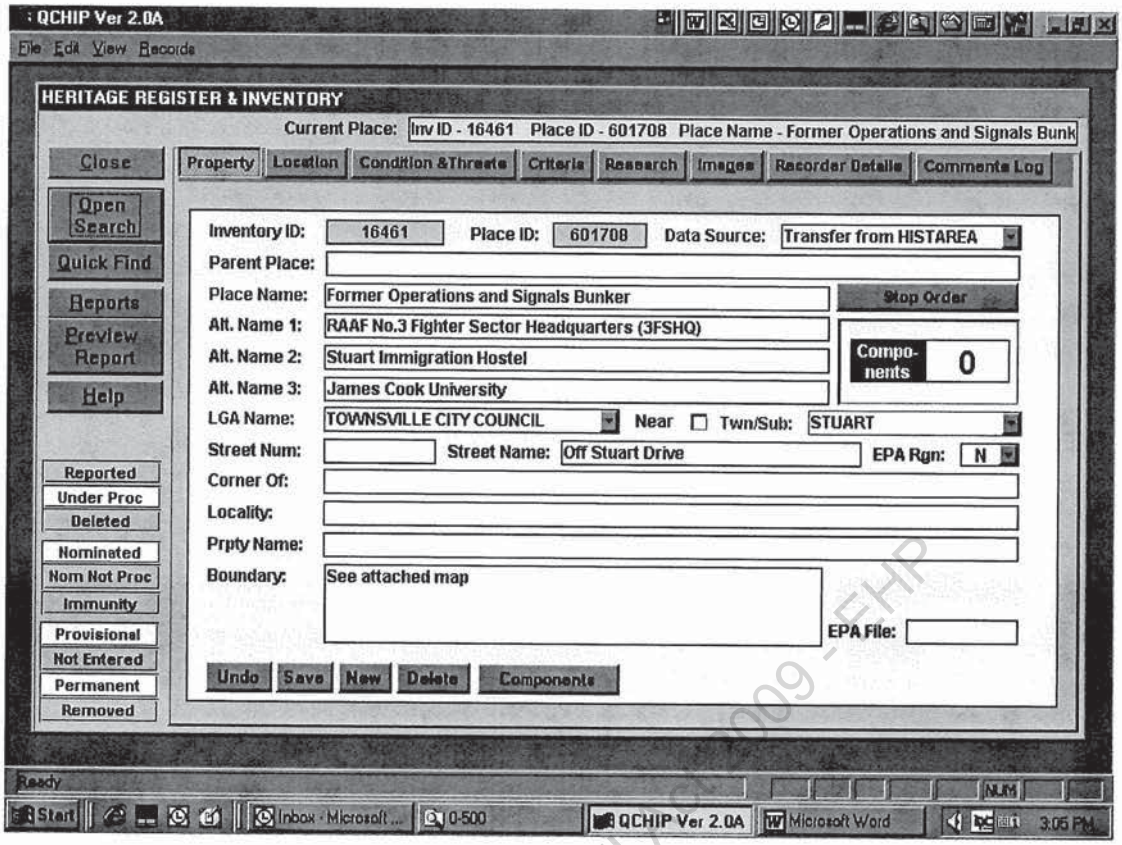

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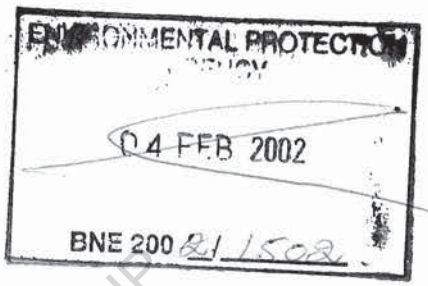

Mr Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage
Environmental Protection Agency
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Dear Mr Osborne,

re: **Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville**

Thank you for your letter of 14th January 2002, referenced 601708.

With regard to our objection to the entry in the heritage register of the land surrounding the signals bunker at Stuart, I wish to confirm that the deeds of grant in trust were transferred to the Townsville Office of the District Land Asset Management, Department of Natural Resources and Mines, in November 2001.

Now that the transfer has taken place, the University has no further interest in the site, and our objection is withdrawn.

Yours sincerely,

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Peter Renton

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Enquiries Jayme Teasdale
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Your reference
Our reference 601708

14 January 2002

Mr Ted Dews
James Cook University
Townsville campus
Townsville QLD 4811

Dear Mr Dews

Re: Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville - Objection to the permanent entry into the Heritage Register.

I write to advise that an extension of time has been granted to appoint an assessor under s.28 of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992, to consider the above objection from 31 December 2001 until 31 December 2002.

If you have any queries concerning this matter please contact Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer, Environmental Protection Agency at the above address or on (07) 3227 6494.

Yours sincerely

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for Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage

C/c Manager, Environmental Planning, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region (Townsville)

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Memorandum

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19 December 2001

To: **Ray Osborne, A/Manager, Cultural Heritage**

From: Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer

Subject: **Extension of Time to appoint an assessor**
Delegation under section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Honourable the Minister for Environment and Heritage under section 28.

RAAF No3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville

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BACKGROUND and ISSUES

- At its meeting of 28 August 1998, the Heritage Council, under the provisions of section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* (the Act), provisionally entered the **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville** in the Heritage Register.

- The owner of the place, the James Cook University, and the local government authority, in this case the Townsville City Council were notified by mail and public notice was given in accordance with section 24(4)(a) and section 24(4)(b) of the Act.

- A period of 30 days was allowed for the owners of the place or any other person to object to the entry of the **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker),** in the Heritage Register as outlined in section 26(1) and section 26(2) of the Act. During this period, the James Cook University lodged an objection. The objection concerned the heritage register boundary of the place rather than the cultural heritage significance of the former Bunker with which they are in agreement.

- If an objection is received to the entry of a place in the Register, the Heritage Council must, in accordance with section 28 of the Act, within fourteen days after receiving the objection select an assessor from the panel of assessors and refer the objection to the assessor, for their independent report to the Heritage Council.

- Also in accordance with section 28, the Minister may extend this 14 day timeframe. Under section 7 of the Act, the Minister may delegate this power. An Instrument of Delegation signed by the Minister on 24 December 1999 delegates power under section 28 to the Chief Executive, Environmental Protection Agency; the Director of Environmental Planning, Environmental Protection Agency; and the Director, Environmental operations, Environmental Protection

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Agency.

- Discussions have been held with the James Cook University and a heritage register boundary is being negotiated. James Cook University have forwarded a letter to the Cultural Heritage Branch indicating support for a reduced heritage register boundary.

- On 10 August 1999, the Heritage Register Advisory Committee considered the James Cook proposal and, on the basis that the heritage register boundary is too restricted, have resolved to defer the matter until future negotiations take place.

- Extensions of time in which to appoint an assessor were granted from 19 October 1998 to 21 April 1999, from 21 April 1999 to 21 June 1999, from 21 June 1999 to 21 August 1999, from 21 August 1999 to 21 February 2000, from 21 February 2000 to 21 April 2000, from 21 April 2000 to 21 July 2000,, from 21 July 2000 to 21 December 2000, from 21 December 2000 to 30 June 2001 and from 30 June 2001 to 31 December 2001 to allow negotiations to continue with the James Cook University regarding the heritage listing boundary of the place.

- James Cook University is in the process of transferring the deeds of grant in trust back to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines and will withdraw its objection. DNRM has been informed of the provisional entry in the heritage register and asked for tis view.

- An extension of time is requested to negotiate a heritage listing boundary with DNRM

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Place: **RAAF No3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**
File No. **601708**
Extension: **31 December 2001 to 31 December 2002**

Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Manager, Cultural Heritage, under delegation approve an extension of time from 31 December 2001 to 31 December 2002 for the processes of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* as set out above.

Approved

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Ray Osborne
A/Manager
Cultural Heritage

Date 24.12.2001

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Ray Osborne
A/Manager
Cultural Heritage

Date.....

Yours sincerely

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Fiona Gardiner
Heritage Principal Research Officer

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19 November 2001

Ms Jacinta Ryan
District Land Asset Management
Department of natural Resources and Mines
PO Box 5318
MC TOWNSVILLE Q 4810

Dear Ms Ryan

I write with regard to ***RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville*** and your recent conversation with Ms Fiona Gardiner of the Environmental Protection Agency.

At its meeting of 28 August 1998, the Heritage Council, under the provisions of section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* (the Act), provisionally entered the former Operations and Signals Bunker, Townsville in the Heritage Register. The former Bunker is an important WWII structure, which demonstrates the substantial role that Townsville played in the war in the Pacific.

The property was held by James Cook University under a Deed of Grant in Trust for educational purposes. The Act makes provision for objection to the entry of places in the heritage register. The James Cook University lodged an objection. The objection related to the heritage register boundary of the place rather than the cultural heritage significance of the former Bunker, with which the University was in agreement.

The former Operations and Signals Bunker is provisionally entered in the heritage register and since 1998 there have been ongoing negotiations with the University about the extent of the area of land entered in the register. The University has recently informed the Agency that it no longer has any interest in the land and is in the process of transferring it back to the Crown. The University also indicated that it will withdraw it objection once this transaction has been completed. However the objection can be transferred if the Department of Natural Resources and Mines wants to continue with this process. I enclose a copy of the entry in the heritage register for your information.

The purpose of including a place on the Heritage Register is to give recognition to the significance of the place as part of Queensland's cultural heritage. Being on the heritage register does not mean that changes cannot be made to a place and part 5 of the Act deals with

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development in registered places. With regard to the former Bunker it would offer opportunities for adaptive reuse and the Agency has had some general approaches with regard to converting it to a residence.

I understand that when the property is transferred back to the Crown it will become unallocated state land and could ultimately be sold for subdivision. The former Bunker being heritage registered will not preclude subdivision, but this needs to be done in a manner, which protects the heritage significance of the Bunker.

In order to discuss this matter further please contact Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer, on (07) 3227 6494.

Yours sincerely

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Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage

B/c Mr Andrew Border, Manager, Cultural Heritage, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region [Townsville]

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7 November, 2001

Mr Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage
Environmental Protection Agency
PO Box 155
Brisbane Albert Street
Queensland 4002

Dear Ray,

re: **Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville**

Thank you for your letter of 5th November 2001, referenced 601708.

With regard to our objection to the entry in the heritage register of the land surrounding the signals bunker, I wish to confirm that the deeds of grant in trust are in the process of being transferred to District Land Asset Management, Department of Natural Resources and Mines, in Townsville. Their nominated contact person is Jacinta Ryan.

Once the transfer has taken place, the University will have no further interest in the site, and our objection will be withdrawn.

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Yours sincerely,

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Your reference
Our reference 601708

5 November 2001

Mr Peter Renton
Acting Director, Central Services
James Cook University
Townsville campus
TOWNSVILLE Q 4811

Dear Mr Renton

Re: Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville - Objection to the permanent entry into the Heritage Register.

I write with regard to your telephone conversation with Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer concerning the RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker) Stuart, Townsville. I am advised that the James Cook University is in the process of returning this property to the Crown and the transfer is expected to be completed in the near future.

As James Cook University is relinquishing all interest in the Signals Bunker I would appreciate it if you could withdraw the objection to the entry in the heritage register.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer, Environmental Protection Agency at the above address or on (07) 3227 6494.

Yours sincerely

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Ray Osborne
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Your reference
Our reference 601708

12 July 2001

Mr Ted Dews
James Cook University
Townsville campus
Townsville QLD 4811

Dear Mr Dews

Re: Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville - Objection to the permanent entry into the Heritage Register.

I write to advise that a further extension of time has been granted to appoint an assessor under s.28 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* to consider the above objection, from 30 June 2001 to 31 December 2001.

Within the next few weeks Ms Fiona Gardiner of this Agency will contact you with a view to meeting with you on site to discuss the objection.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer, Environmental Protection Agency at the above address or on (07) 3227 6494.

Yours sincerely

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for Helen Gregory
Manager, Cultural Heritage

C/c Andrew Border, Manager, Cultural Heritage, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region (Townsville)

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Ray
We must take Minister there.
This is ridiculous. Could you do a memo to Geoff Meadows saying we will do our work.
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Enquires Fiona Gardiner
Telephone 3227 6494
Your reference
Our reference 601708

15 June 2001

MEMORANDUM

TO: **Helen Gregory**
Manager Cultrual Heritage

TO: Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage

FROM: Fiona Gardiner
Principal Heritage Research Officer

SUBJECT: **Extension of Time to select an assessor**
Delegation under section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Honourable the Minister for Environment and Heritage under section 28.

RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville

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BACKGROUND

- At its meeting of 28 August 1998, the Heritage Council, under the provisions of section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* (the Act), provisionally entered the RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville in the Heritage Register.

- The owner of the place, the James Cook University, and the local government authority, in this case the Townsville City Council were notified by mail and public notice was given in accordance with section 24(4)(a) and section 24(4)(b) of the Act.

- A period of 30 days was allowed for the owners of the place or any other person to object to the entry of the **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker),** in the Heritage Register as outlined in section 26(1) and section 26(2) of the Act. During this period, the James Cook University lodged an objection. The objection concerned the heritage register boundary of the place rather than the cultural heritage significance of the former Bunker with which they are in agreement.

- If an objection is received to the entry of a place in the Register, the Heritage Council must, in accordance with section 28 of the Act, within fourteen days after receiving the objection select an assessor from the panel of assessors and refer the objection to the assessor, for their independent report to the Heritage Council.
- Also in accordance with section 28, the Minister may extend this 14 day timeframe. Under section 7 of the Act, the Minister may delegate this power. An Instrument of Delegation signed

by the Minister on 24 December 1999 delegates power under section 28 to the Chief Executive, Environmental Protection Agency; the Director of Environmental Planning, Environmental Protection Agency; and the Director, Environmental operations, Environmental Protection Agency.

- Discussions have been held with the James Cook University and a heritage register boundary is being negotiated. James Cook University have forwarded a letter to the Cultural Heritage Branch indicating support for a reduced heritage register boundary.

- On 10 August 1999, the Heritage Register Advisory Committee considered the James Cook proposal and, on the basis that the heritage register boundary is too restricted, have resolved to defer the matter until future negotiations take place.

- Extensions of time in which to appoint an assessor were granted from 19 October 1998 to 21 April 1999, from 21 April 1999 to 21 June 1999, from 21 June 1999 to 21 August 1999, from 21 August 1999 to 21 February 2000, from 21 February 2000 to 21 April 2000, from 21 April 2000 to 21 July 2000 from 21 July 2000 to 21 December 2000 and from 21 December 2000 to 30 June 2001, to allow negotiations to continue with the James Cook University regarding the heritage listing boundary of the place.

- As the issue has not yet been resolved, a further extension of time is requested to negotiate the heritage listing boundary and to encourage the withdrawal of the objection by James Cook University.

Place: **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**
File No. **601708**
Extension: **from 30 June 2001 to 31 December 2001**

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Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Director Environmental Planning, under delegation approve an extension of time from 30 June 2001 to 31 December 2001 for the processes of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* as set out above.

Approved

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Helen Gregory
Manager
Cultural Heritage Branch

Date 21.6.01

Not Approved

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Helen Gregory
Manager
Cultural Heritage Branch

Date.....

Yours sincerely

Fiona Gardiner
Principal Heritage Research Officer

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Your reference
Our reference 601708

05 January 2001

Mr Ted Dews
James Cook University
Townsville campus
Townsville QLD 4811

Dear Mr Dews

Re: Signals Bunker, Stuart Townsville - Objection to the permanent entry into the Heritage Register.

I write to advise that an extension of time has been granted to appoint an assessor under s.28 of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992, to consider the above objection from 21 December 2000 until 30 June 2001.

If you have any queries concerning this matter please contact Ms Fiona Gardiner, Principal Heritage Research Officer, Environmental Protection Agency at the above address or on (07) 3227 6494.

Yours sincerely

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Helen Gregory
Manager, Cultural Heritage

C/c Andrew Border, Manager, Environmental Planning, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region (Townsville)

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Enquires Fiona Gardiner
Telephone 3227 6494
Your reference
Our reference 601708

21 December 2000

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ray Osborne
A/Manager, Cultural Heritage

FROM: Fiona Gardiner
Principal Heritage Research Officer

SUBJECT: **Extension of Time to select an assessor**
Delegation under section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Honourable the Minister for Environment and Heritage under section 28.

Operations **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**

BACKGROUND

- At its meeting of 28 August 1998, the Heritage Council, under the provisions of section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* (the Act), provisionally entered the RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville in the Heritage Register.

- The owner of the place, the James Cook University, and the local government authority, in this case the Townsville City Council were notified by mail and public notice was given in accordance with section 24(4)(a) and section 24(4)(b) of the Act.

- A period of 30 days was allowed for the owners of the place or any other person to object to the entry of the **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker),** in the Heritage Register as outlined in section 26(1) and section 26(2) of the Act. During this period, the James Cook University lodged an objection. The objection concerned the heritage register boundary of the place rather than the cultural heritage significance of the former Bunker with which they are in agreement.

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- If an objection is received to the entry of a place in the Register, the Heritage Council must, in accordance with section 28 of the Act, within fourteen days after receiving the objection select an assessor from the panel of assessors and refer the objection to the assessor, for their independent report to the Heritage Council.

- Also in accordance with section 28, the Minister may extend this 14 day timeframe. Under section 7 of the Act, the Minister may delegate this power. An Instrument of Delegation signed by the Minister on 24 December 1999 delegates power under section 28 to the Chief Executive, Environmental Protection Agency; the Director of Environmental Planning, Environmental Protection Agency; and the Director, Environmental operations, Environmental Protection Agency.

- Discussions have been held with the James Cook University and a heritage register boundary is being negotiated. James Cook University have forwarded a letter to the Cultural Heritage Branch indicating support for a reduced heritage register boundary.

- On 10 August 1999, the Heritage Register Advisory Committee considered the James Cook proposal and, on the basis that the heritage register boundary is too restricted, have resolved to defer the matter until future negotiations take place.

- Extensions of time in which to appoint an assessor were granted from 19 October 1998 to 21 April 1999, from 21 April 1999 to 21 June 1999, from 21 June 1999 to 21 August 1999, from 21 August 1999 to 21 February 2000, from 21 February 2000 to 21 April 2000, from 21 April 2000 to 21 July 2000 and from 21 July 2000 to 21 December 2000, to allow negotiations to continue with the James Cook University regarding the heritage listing boundary of the place.

- As the issue has not yet been resolved, a further extension of time is requested to negotiate the heritage listing boundary and to encourage the withdrawal of the objection by James Cook University.

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Place: **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**
File No. **601708**
Extension: **from 21 December 2000 to 30 June 2001**

Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Director Environmental Planning, under delegation approve an extension of time from 21 December 2000 to 30 June 2001 for the processes of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* as set out above.

Approved

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Ray Osborne
A/Manager
Cultural Heritage Branch

Date 21.12.2000

Not Approved

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Ray Osborne
A/Manager
Cultural Heritage Branch

Date.....

Yours sincerely

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Fiona Gardiner
Principal Heritage Research Officer

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26 October 2000

Ms Helen Gregory
Manager
Cultural Heritage
Environmental Protection Agency
PO Box 155
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Dear Ms Gregory

RAAF No3
Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker)

Thank you for your letter of 1 October 2000.

We will be happy to respond when your staff are ready.

You will know that JCU currently holds the property at Stuart under a deed of Grant in Trust from the Crown. We have recently advised the Crown that we have no foreseeable use for the property and have asked them to take it back.

Yours sincerely

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E.A. Dews
Director
Central Services

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Enquires Fiona Gardiner
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Your reference
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16 October 2000

MEMORANDUM

TO: Andrew Border,
Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Northern Region (Townsville)

FROM: Helen Gregory
Manager, Cultural Heritage

THROUGH Ray Osborne
Assistant Manager, Historic

SUBJECT: **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**

- The RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville was provisionally entered in the Heritage Register on 28 August 2000.
- James Cook University the owner of the place lodged an objection. The objection concerned the heritage register boundary of the place rather than the cultural heritage significance of the former Bunker with which they are in agreement.
- Since this time there has been discussions with JCU about the Heritage Register boundary but no agreement has been reached.
- This matter has been taking some time to resolve. A further extension to time until 21 December 2000 has been granted.
- Officers of the Northern Region (Townsville) are requested to recommence negotiations on this matter so that it can be concluded prior to 21 December 2000.
- A complete copy of the correspondence file is attached for your information.

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Helen Gregory, Manager

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Enquires Fiona Gardiner
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1 October 2000

Mr EA Dews
Director, Central Service
James Cook University
TOWNSVILLE 4101

Dear Mr EA Dews

I write concerning the provisional entry in the Heritage Register of the ***RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker)***. I note that resolution of this matter has been outstanding for some considerable time.

The letter from James Cook University 16 June 1999 proposed a curtilage of 10 metres on all sides of the bunker. The Heritage Council considered that this heritage listing boundary was too restrictive and asked that further negotiations be entered into with James Cook University. As the matter presently stands the area entered in the Heritage Register is L63/EP2200: Reserve 433: Parish Stuart. I enclose a map for your information.

In order to finalise this matter I have asked the Northern Region (Townsville), Environmental Protection Agency to recommence negotiations with James Cook University. Mr Rob Dusting and Ms Helen Lucas have been briefed on the matter and will be in contact with you in the near future. An extension of time until 21 December 2000 has been granted to allow time for these negotiations.

In the interim, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Fiona Garediner, Principal Heritage Research Officer on (07) 3227 6494 should you have any queries regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely

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Helen Gregory
Manager, Cultural Heritage

C/c Mr Andrew Border, Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region (Townsville)

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29 September 2000

MEMORANDUM

TO: Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage

THROUGH: Ray Osborne
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Assistant Manager
Cultural Heritage Branch (Historic Section)

FROM: Fiona Gardiner
Principal Heritage Research Officer

SUBJECT: **Extension of Time to select an assessor**
Delegation under section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Honourable the Minister for Environment and Heritage under section 28.

Operations **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**

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- As the issue has not yet been resolved, a further extension of time is requested to negotiate the heritage listing boundary and to encourage the withdrawal of the objection by James Cook University.

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Place: **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville**
File No. **601708**
Extension: **from 21 July 2000 to 21 December 2000**

Recommendation:
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Date 4.10.00

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Date.....

Yours sincerely

Fiona Gardiner
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21 April 2000

MEMORANDUM

TO: Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage

THROUGH: Ray Osborne
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Assistant Manager
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FROM: Gail Pini
A/Principal Research Officer, Cultural Heritage

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File No. **601708**
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Date 21.4.00

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Date.....

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Date 21.2.00

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Helen Gregory
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Date.....

Yours sincerely

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15 September 1999

Ms Helen Gregory
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Dear Ms Gregory

PROVISIONAL ENTRY OF THE RAAF NO 3 FIGHTER SECTOR HEADQUARTERS (FORMER OPERATIONS AND SIGNALS BUNKER)

Thank you for your letter of 9 September addressed to Mr Renton.

I will be pleased to discuss the boundary question with you or your staff and am confident that we should be able to arrive at an acceptable compromise.

Yours sincerely

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E.A. Dews
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9 September 1999

Mr Peter Renton
Acting Director Central Services
James Cook University
Townsville Q 4811

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Dear Mr Renton

Re: Provisional Entry of the RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker)

I write with reference to previous correspondence between James Cook University and the Cultural Heritage Branch of the Environmental Protection Agency regarding the provisional entry of the former Signals and Operations Bunker, Stuart on the Queensland Heritage Register.

As discussed with you, the Queensland Heritage Council considered the matter of the heritage register boundary at its meeting of 23 July 1999. The Queensland Heritage Council referred this matter to its expert sub-committee, the Heritage Register Advisory Committee for advice.

After much discussion, the Heritage Register Advisory Committee considered that no recommendation could be made to the Heritage Council regarding the heritage register boundary. The Heritage Register Advisory Committee considered that the boundary proposed was too restricted and did not recognise sufficiently the contribution of the setting to the aesthetic and historical significance of the place. The Heritage Register Advisory Committee were not inclined to reduce the heritage register boundary of the former Signals and Operations Bunker before further negotiations with James Cook University which may resolve the matter.

Accordingly, an extension of time to appoint an assessor until 21 February 2000 has been granted to allow negotiations to continue. An officer of the Cultural Heritage

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Branch will be in contact with you shortly to discuss this matter further. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Joanne Edwards, Acting Principal Heritage Research Officer on 3227 6494 should you wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

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Helen Gregory
Manager, Cultural Heritage

C/C Andrew Border, Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region (Rockhampton)

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Joanne Edwards gave an oral report.

Having considered the report of the Agency, the Heritage Register Advisory Committee recommend that the property description of the **Koumala War Memorial** be redefined to road reserve and be approved to allow readvertising to take place.

46.7.4 RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville (601708)

Joanne Edwards gave an oral report and a slide presentation.

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Date 21.8.99

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Date 24.8.99

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A/Principal Heritage Research Officer

Report to
Heritage Register Advisory Committee

10 August 1999

Subject

RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville

601708

Summary of Proposal

Proposal to recommend to Heritage Council that the Heritage Register Boundary of the RAAF NO 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville which is provisionally entered on the Queensland Heritage Register be reduced.

Background and Issues

- The RAAF NO 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville was provisionally entered on the Queensland Heritage Register on 28 August 1998.

- The owner of the place, the James Cook University, objected to the permanent entry of the place in the Register on the basis of the heritage register boundary being too extensive.

- The James Cook University has agreed to a heritage register boundary of 10metres on all sides of the structure which sits in the middle of a large undeveloped block of land. Officers from the Northern Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency who have visited the site, have agreed that this course of action will not compromise the cultural heritage significance of the Signals Bunker.

- Following the reduction of the heritage register boundary, James Cook University have indicated that it will withdraw its objection to the entry of the place on the Register.

- The Heritage Council considered this matter at its meeting of 23 July 1999 and referred it the Heritage Register Advisory Committee for comment.

Recommendation

That Heritage Register Advisory Committee recommend to the Queensland Heritage Council that the heritage register boundary of the RAAF NO 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville be reduced in accord with the proposal agreed to by James Cook University.

Attached

- Entry in Heritage Register;
- Heritage register boundary plan;
- Letter from James Cook University 16 June 1999.

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Joanne Edwards,
5 August 1999

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Name	Former Operations and Signals Bunker
Former/Other Name	RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/ Stuart Immigration Hostel/ Stuart House, James Cook University.
Location	Off Stuart Drive, Stuart, Q4811
RPD	part of L63/EP2200: Reserve 433: Par, Stuart
Local Authority	Townsville City
AMG Map Sheet	R631 Sheet 8259 Ed 3-AAS **Grid** Du 811619
Present tenure	James Cook University
Listing boundary	See attached site plan
Other listings	

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Heritage Significance

The **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart** is a place of cultural heritage significance and satisfies one or more of the criteria specified in s.23(1) of the Act as evidenced, but not exclusively, by the following statement of heritage significance based on **Criteria a, c, d & g**

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker at Stuart, constructed in 1942-3, is significant as the former Headquarters of the Operations Section of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ), who controlled fighter operations and anti-aircraft defences through North Queensland and New Guinea. Occupied by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) in January 1945, the Former Operations and Signals Bunker played a pivotal role as the key communications centre for Allied Air Forces, operating out of Townsville during the final months of the Pacific War.

The exterior of the concrete bunker is a substantially intact example of its type and retains evidence of the camouflage paint scheme. Part of the fuse and telephone cable board is the only internal equipment to survive. Surrounding the bunker are remnants and material scatter from other structures of the complex, which have the potential to yield further information which will contribute to the understanding of the site.

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is one of a number of WWII structures and complexes which survive in the Townsville area, demonstrating the substantial role the region, and particularly Townsville, played in the war in the Pacific.

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker During has special association for the numbers of European migrants who were accommodated in the complex after WWII, many of whom have

remained in North Queensland. The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is also associated with James Cook University, when, during the 1960s, in the foundation years of University, the complex was used as temporary halls of residence for students.

History

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker(3FSHQ) was constructed between 1942 and 1944 for No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters. Soon after moving to the site in late 1944 the operations of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters was subsumed into Air Defence Headquarters operations.

The increase in Japanese military activity in Asia in the late 1930s led the Australian Government to establish air bases in the north of Australia. The Department of Defence began negotiations with the Townsville City Council to transfer the Garbutt aerodrome to the Commonwealth in early 1939. The acquisition was completed on 12 December 1940 and construction of three, 5000 ft, sealed runways began in 1941.

Japanese military activity in the Pacific region increased after the bombing of Pearl Harbour on 7 December, 1941. Faced with the threat of invasion the Australian and American Governments began to develop a major military base in the Townsville Region.

The Garbutt runways, designed for B17 bombers, were completed in February 1942, just prior to the arrival of units of the 5th Air Force, United States Army Air Force. Additional bomber bases were established at Charters Towers and Cloncurry and a number of airstrips for fighter aircraft were constructed between Townsville and Charters Towers.

3FSHQ was first established in temporary accommodation at Townsville Grammar School on 25 February 1942. 3FSHQ Townsville was formed to support airborne units located in the North Queensland area. As the war extended to the islands north of New Guinea, its operational area enlarged to cover the area stretching from Rockhampton in the south to Mount Isa in the west and New Guinea in the north. 3FSHQ controlled fighter squadron operations and coordinated anti-aircraft defences. Radio watches for bomber and reconnaissance aircraft were also maintained from the Operations Centre.

3FSHQ was also connected by telephone and radio to anti-aircraft guns and searchlights, and with RDF stations and high frequency direction finding (HF/DF) stations in the Townsville and Charters Towers area. The role of high frequency directional radio stations was to assist fighter pilots to get their bearings during airborne patrols. The station was linked by telephone to RAAF Headquarters in Melbourne and was responsible for keeping the RAAF Command informed of all developments. The Operations Centre was also responsible for activating air raid warnings. It also provided position plots for courier and civil aircraft operating between Brisbane and New Guinea.

While 3FSHQ was located at the Grammar School from 1942 to 1944 the location was not ideal because it was vulnerable to air attack. Planning for the construction of a new Fighter Sector Headquarters began in 1942. The new complex was constructed on the lower, eastern slopes of Mt Stuart on 68 acres of land requisitioned by the Commonwealth in August 1942. The site was regarded as ideal as it was some distance from the main airfields and the public eye, but

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still close enough to the various other installations it liaised with. In the event of an enemy raid, its position was such that it would have been difficult to attack, and the area's natural camouflage would have made it difficult to locate.

Construction of the complex began in late 1942 with the Operations and Signals Bunker ready by early 1943. However, by November 1943 the bunker, identified as a semi-underground building because all cabling was laid underground, was not yet occupied[1] because associated accommodation facilities had not been completed. The delay related to the fact that the complex was located some distance from the airfield and there was some question as to whether the facility could provide briefing to air crews in an adequate time frame. Eventually the site become operational in late 1944.

The bunker itself was fully airconditioned and housed its own power plant. The interior had a steel mezzanine floor splitting it into two levels and was divided into 32 rooms and passage ways by caneite partitions. Located within the building was the Operations Room, Engine Room, RDF Filter Room, Voluntary Air Observer Corp (VAOC) Liaison Room, Main Operations Room Dais, Aircraft Movements Section, RDF Supervisors Room, Signal Officers Room, W/T Workshop and PMG Switch Room.

The Administration Section was also moved to the Stuart site and commenced functioning on 29 December 1944. On 25 January 1945 the Royal Australian Airforce established their Air Defence Headquarters in the Stuart complex; from where they operated until 1947.

The complex, except for the bunker, was utilised after the war as an immigration depot and migrant hostel. Additional huts were placed on the site to provide more accommodation for migrants who arrived in large numbers after the war. Many of these migrants have made their homes in North Queensland.

In 1961 James Cook University of North Queensland purchased the site for student accommodation while the residential halls at Douglas were under construction. The bunker was still partially furnished at the time the property was purchased by the university. There was a large mapping table in the main room complete with maps and maps on the wall still had marker pins in them. The switchboards and other communication equipment were still largely intact. Photographs, taken at the time, were deposited with the university.

Soon after, in 1962 or 1963, the interior of the bunker was destroyed by fire. In the early 1970s the site was vacated and the barracks either demolished or removed. The property is still under the control of the university although the bunker is the only remaining structure on the site.

Description

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is a rectangular two-storeyed concrete bunker set into the hillside at the base of Mt Stuart. The site is set back from Stuart Drive, which becomes the highway west to Charters Towers, and is about ten kilometres south-west of Townsville's city centre.

1 Memo, Series A705/1, 171/1/1493

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The bunker, measuring about 18 x 13 metres, has a flat concrete roof, engaged piers to the side walls and a boarded formwork finish. Remnants of its external camouflage colour scheme, chosen to blend with the pink granite of the hill, are still evident.

The bunker consists of a main room which is two-stories in height, with smaller separate rooms attached to the front. The main room retains evidence of the mezzanine floor, air-conditioning ducts and wc's.

The front section contains some six separate smaller rooms of two levels. Access to the four rooms at the centre is from the exterior and access to the two rooms at the western end is from the main room. The lower of the two western rooms contains the large metal frame of the fuse and telephone cable board with some fuses still visible, which is the only surviving piece of equipment in the structure. Part of the floor of this room appears to be rubble, filling a small tunnel for cables.

To either side of the bunker are two circular structures, possibly bases for communication aerials or anchors for the camouflage net for the bunker. They are some four metre wide and constructed of low stone walls with a conical concrete cap.

Between the bunker, the creek to the north-west and the road to the north-east are several concrete slabs, concrete steps and scatters of building material and other artefacts. These are remnants of other structures of the complex, possibly ablutions blocks and hot water boiler stands.

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Process:
Pursuant to the provisions of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992, the Heritage Council has formed the opinion that this is a place of cultural significance which satisfies one or more of the criteria for provisional entry in the Heritage Register and that it is possible for the cultural heritage significance of the place to be conserved.

The decision of the Heritage Council is recorded in the minutes of the Council meeting of 28 August 1998.

The Heritage Council reduced the heritage register boundary of the place and this decision is recorded in the minutes of the Heritage Council meeting of 23 July 1999.

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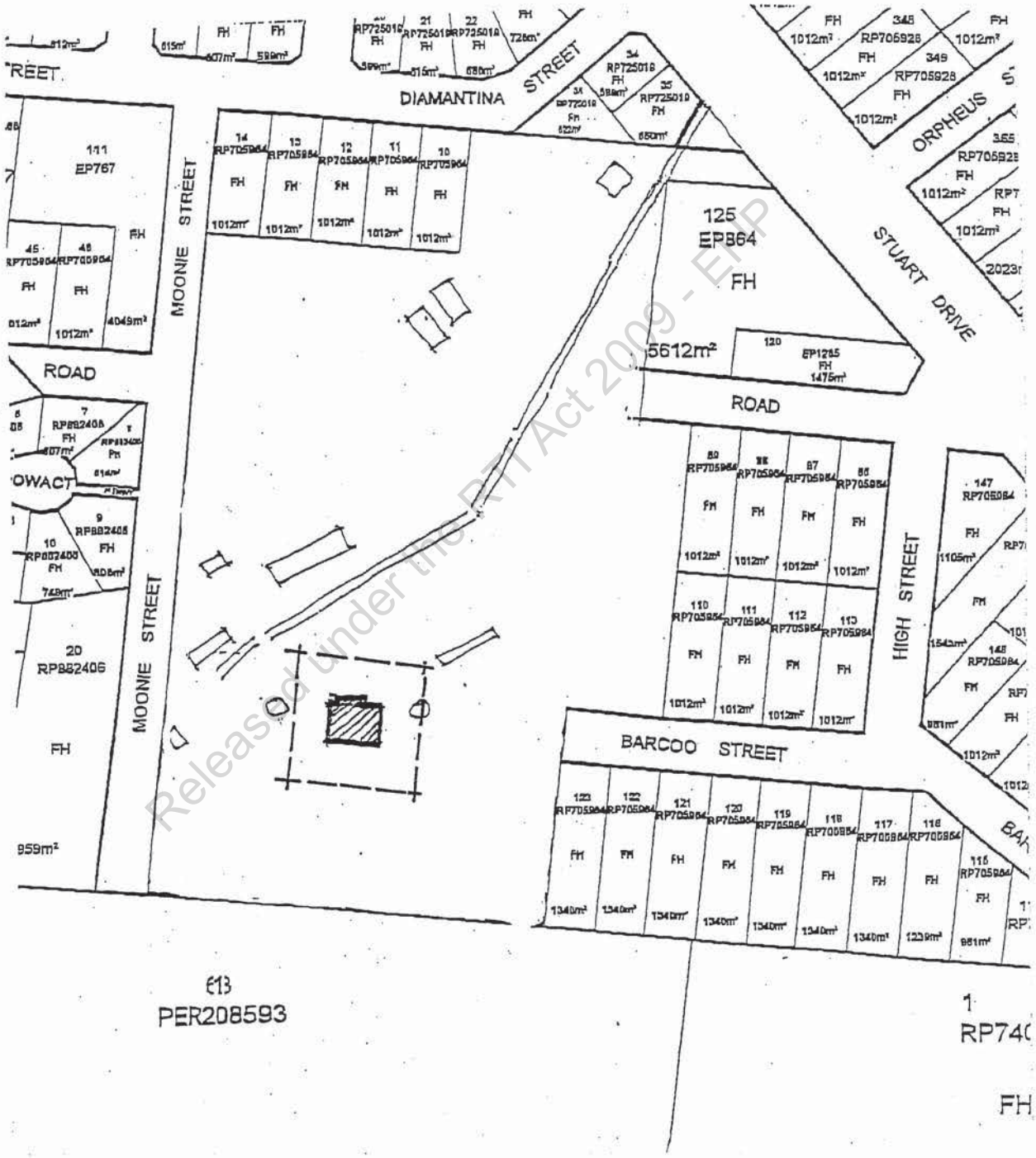

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Report to
Heritage Council

23 July 1999
Agenda Number 100.9.7(1)

Subject

RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville

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Summary of Proposal

That the Queensland Heritage Council reduce the Heritage Register Boundary of the RAAF NO 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville which is provisionally entered on the Queensland Heritage Register.

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Background and Issues

- The RAAF NO 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville was provisionally entered on the Queensland Heritage Register on 28 August 1998.

- The owner of the place, the James Cook University, objected to the permanent entry of the place in the Register on the basis of the heritage register boundary being too extensive.

- The James Cook University has agreed to a heritage register boundary of 10metres on all sides of the structure which sits in the middle of a large undeveloped block of land. Officers from the Northern Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency who have visited the site, have agreed that this course of action will not compromise the cultural heritage significance of the Signals Bunker.

- Following the reduction of the heritage register boundary, James Cook University have indicated that it will withdraw its objection to the entry of the place on the Register.

Heritage Council Resolution

That the heritage register boundary of the RAAF NO 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters, former Operations and Signal Bunker, Stuart, Townsville be reduced as indicated on the attached plan.

Attached

- Entry in Heritage Register;
- Heritage register boundary plan;
- Letter from James Cook University 16 June 1999.

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Joanne Edwards
12 July 1999

Name	Former Operations and Signals Bunker
Former/Other Name	RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/ Stuart Immigration Hostel/ Stuart House, James Cook University.
Location	Off Stuart Drive, Stuart, Q4811
RPD	part of L63/EP2200: Reserve 433: Par, Stuart
Local Authority	Townsville City
AMG Map Sheet	R631 Sheet 8259 Ed 3-AAS **Grid** Du 811619
Present tenure	James Cook University
Listing boundary	See attached site plan
Other listings	

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Heritage Significance

The **Former Operations and Signals Bunker, Stuart** is a place of cultural heritage significance and satisfies one or more of the criteria specified in s.23(1) of the Act as evidenced, but not exclusively, by the following statement of heritage significance based on **Criteria a, c, d & g**

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker at Stuart, constructed in 1942-3, is significant as the former Headquarters of the Operations Section of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ), who controlled fighter operations and anti-aircraft defences through North Queensland and New Guinea. Occupied by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) in January 1945, the Former Operations and Signals Bunker played a pivotal role as the key communications centre for Allied Air Forces, operating out of Townsville during the final months of the Pacific War.

The exterior of the concrete bunker is a substantially intact example of its type and retains evidence of the camouflage paint scheme. Part of the fuse and telephone cable board is the only internal equipment to survive. Surrounding the bunker are remnants and material scatter from other structures of the complex, which have the potential to yield further information which will contribute to the understanding of the site.

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is one of a number of WWII structures and complexes which survive in the Townsville area, demonstrating the substantial role the region, and particularly Townsville, played in the war in the Pacific.

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker During has special association for the numbers of European migrants who were accommodated in the complex after WWII, many of whom have

remained in North Queensland. The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is also associated with James Cook University, when, during the 1960s, in the foundation years of University, the complex was used as temporary halls of residence for students.

History

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker(3FSHQ) was constructed between 1942 and 1944 for No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters. Soon after moving to the site in late 1944 the operations of No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters was subsumed into Air Defence Headquarters operations.

The increase in Japanese military activity in Asia in the late 1930s led the Australian Government to establish air bases in the north of Australia. The Department of Defence began negotiations with the Townsville City Council to transfer the Garbutt aerodrome to the Commonwealth in early 1939. The acquisition was completed on 12 December 1940 and construction of three, 5000 ft, sealed runways began in 1941.

Japanese military activity in the Pacific region increased after the bombing of Pearl Harbour on 7 December, 1941. Faced with the threat of invasion the Australian and American Governments began to develop a major military base in the Townsville Region.

The Garbutt runways, designed for B17 bombers, were completed in February 1942, just prior to the arrival of units of the 5th Air Force, United States Army Air Force. Additional bomber bases were established at Charters Towers and Cloncurry and a number of airstrips for fighter aircraft were constructed between Townsville and Charters Towers.

3FSHQ was first established in temporary accommodation at Townsville Grammar School on 25 February 1942. 3FSHQ Townsville was formed to support airborne units located in the North Queensland area. As the war extended to the islands north of New Guinea, its operational area enlarged to cover the area stretching from Rockhampton in the south to Mount Isa in the west and New Guinea in the north. 3FSHQ controlled fighter squadron operations and coordinated anti-aircraft defences. Radio watches for bomber and reconnaissance aircraft were also maintained from the Operations Centre.

3FSHQ was also connected by telephone and radio to anti-aircraft guns and searchlights, and with RDF stations and high frequency direction finding (HF/DF) stations in the Townsville and Charters Towers area. The role of high frequency directional radio stations was to assist fighter pilots to get their bearings during airborne patrols. The station was linked by telephone to RAAF Headquarters in Melbourne and was responsible for keeping the RAAF Command informed of all developments. The Operations Centre was also responsible for activating air raid warnings. It also provided position plots for courier and civil aircraft operating between Brisbane and New Guinea.

While 3FSHQ was located at the Grammar School from 1942 to 1944 the location was not ideal because it was vulnerable to air attack. Planning for the construction of a new Fighter Sector Headquarters began in 1942. The new complex was constructed on the lower, eastern slopes of Mt Stuart on 68 acres of land requisitioned by the Commonwealth in August 1942. The site was regarded as ideal as it was some distance from the main airfields and the public eye, but

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still close enough to the various other installations it liaised with. In the event of an enemy raid, its position was such that it would have been difficult to attack, and the area's natural camouflage would have made it difficult to locate.

Construction of the complex began in late 1942 with the Operations and Signals Bunker ready by early 1943. However, by November 1943 the bunker, identified as a semi-underground building because all cabling was laid underground, was not yet occupied[1] because associated accommodation facilities had not been completed. The delay related to the fact that the complex was located some distance from the airfield and there was some question as to whether the facility could provide briefing to air crews in an adequate time frame. Eventually the site become operational in late 1944.

The bunker itself was fully airconditioned and housed its own power plant. The interior had a steel mezzanine floor splitting it into two levels and was divided into 32 rooms and passage ways by caneite partitions. Located within the building was the Operations Room, Engine Room, RDF Filter Room, Voluntary Air Observer Corp (VAOC) Liaison Room, Main Operations Room Dais, Aircraft Movements Section, RDF Supervisors Room, Signal Officers Room, W/T Workshop and PMG Switch Room.

The Administration Section was also moved to the Stuart site and commenced functioning on 29 December 1944. On 25 January 1945 the Royal Australian Airforce established their Air Defence Headquarters in the Stuart complex; from where they operated until 1947.

The complex, except for the bunker, was utilised after the war as an immigration depot and migrant hostel. Additional huts were placed on the site to provide more accommodation for migrants who arrived in large numbers after the war. Many of these migrants have made their homes in North Queensland.

In 1961 James Cook University of North Queensland purchased the site for student accommodation while the residential halls at Douglas were under construction. The bunker was still partially furnished at the time the property was purchased by the university. There was a large mapping table in the main room complete with maps and maps on the wall still had marker pins in them. The switchboards and other communication equipment were still largely intact. Photographs, taken at the time, were deposited with the university.

Soon after, in 1962 or 1963, the interior of the bunker was destroyed by fire. In the early 1970s the site was vacated and the barracks either demolished or removed. The property is still under the control of the university although the bunker is the only remaining structure on the site.

Description

The Former Operations and Signals Bunker is a rectangular two-storeyed concrete bunker set into the hillside at the base of Mt Stuart. The site is set back from Stuart Drive, which becomes the highway west to Charters Towers, and is about ten kilometres south-west of Townsville's city centre.

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The bunker, measuring about 18 x 13 metres, has a flat concrete roof, engaged piers to the side walls and a boarded formwork finish. Remnants of its external camouflage colour scheme, chosen to blend with the pink granite of the hill, are still evident.

The bunker consists of a main room which is two-stories in height, with smaller separate rooms attached to the front. The main room retains evidence of the mezzanine floor, air-conditioning ducts and wc's.

The front section contains some six separate smaller rooms of two levels. Access to the four rooms at the centre is from the exterior and access to the two rooms at the western end is from the main room. The lower of the two western rooms contains the large metal frame of the fuse and telephone cable board with some fuses still visible, which is the only surviving piece of equipment in the structure. Part of the floor of this room appears to be rubble, filling a small tunnel for cables.

To either side of the bunker are two circular structures, possibly bases for communication aerials or anchors for the camouflage net for the bunker. They are some four metre wide and constructed of low stone walls with a conical concrete cap.

Between the bunker, the creek to the north-west and the road to the north-east are several concrete slabs, concrete steps and scatters of building material and other artefacts. These are remnants of other structures of the complex, possibly ablutions blocks and hot water boiler stands.

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Process:
Pursuant to the provisions of the Queensland Heritage Act 1992, the Heritage Council has formed the opinion that this is a place of cultural significance which satisfies one or more of the criteria for provisional entry in the Heritage Register and that it is possible for the cultural heritage significance of the place to be conserved.

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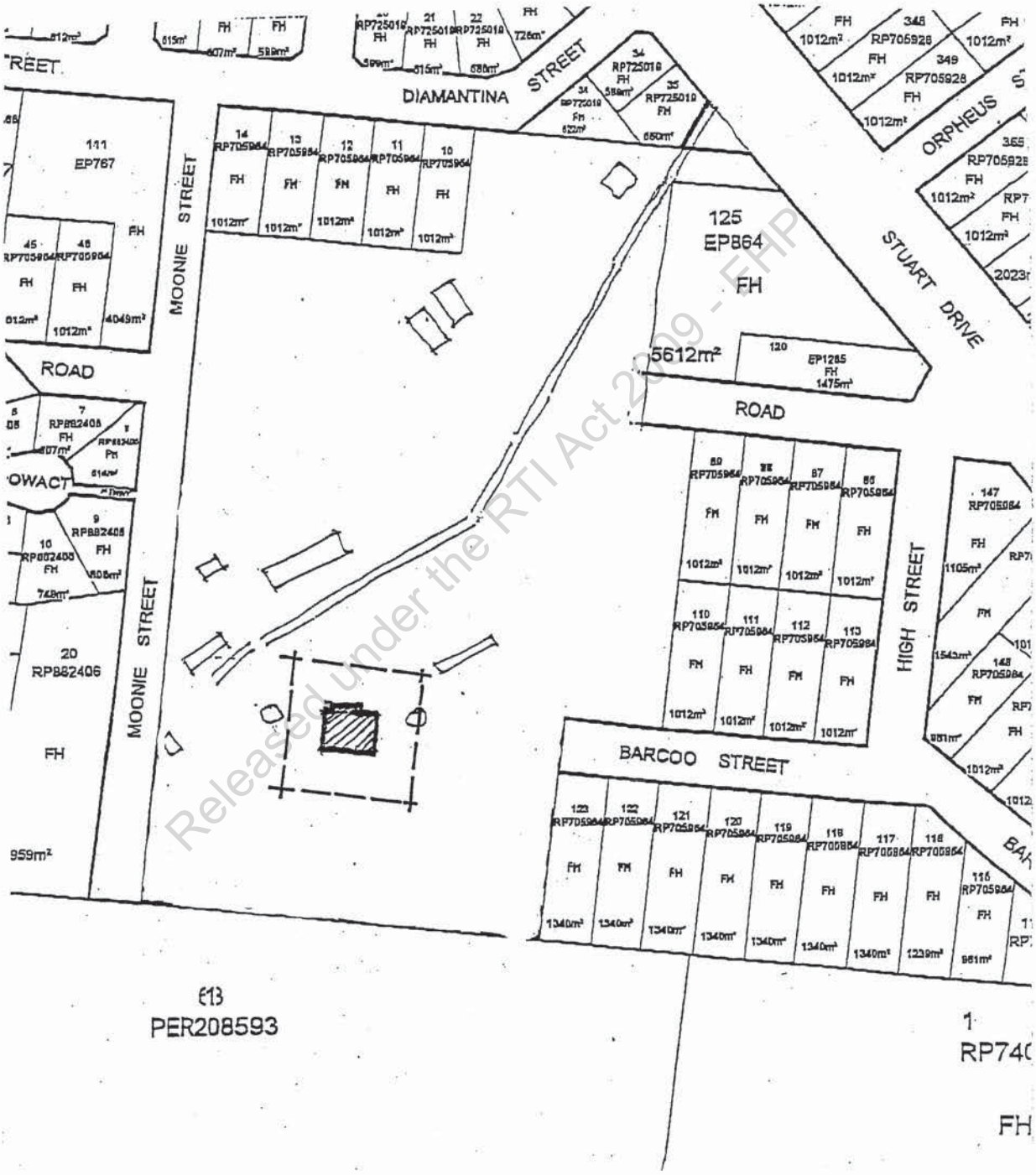

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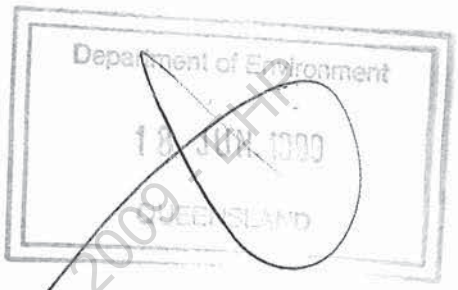

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Olwyn Crimp
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THROUGH: Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage

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FROM: Joanne Edwards
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SUBJECT: **Extension of Time to select an assessor**
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RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville

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Place: **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker)**
File No. **601708**
Extension: **from 21 June 1999 to 21 August 1999**

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Recommendation:
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Approved

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Olwyn Crimp
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It is recommended that the Director Environmental Planning, under delegation approve an extension of time from 21 June 1999 to 21 August 1999 for the processes of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* as set out above.

Approved

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Olwyn Crimp
Director
Environmental Planning

Date .....

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Date.....

Yours sincerely

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Joanne Edwards
A/Principal Heritage Research Officer

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Enquiries Greg Hallam
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Your reference
Our reference 601708

16 March, 1999

Registrar of Titles
Titles Office
Department of Natural Resources
Floor 7
National Mutual Building
144 Edward Street
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Sir

Re: Entry of Administrative Advice, Queensland Heritage Register

I refer to the matter of Administrative Advices required under section 31 (1) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992.*

S.31.(1) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992,* requires that "if a place is entered or provisionally entered in the Heritage Register; or a place registered or provisionally registered in the Heritage Register ceases to be so registered then , the Minister must notify the Registrar of Titles. On receiving a notification under this section, the Registrar of Titles must enter the notification in a file maintained for that purpose".

Accordingly, I enclose an Administrative Advice for this purpose. Upon finalising the Administrative Advice I would appreciate the return of the enclosed notification form for our files.

The officer responsible for these is Greg Hallam, Cultural Heritage, who can be contacted on the above number should there be any queries on these Advices.

Yours sincerely

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Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage

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FORM 14 Version 2
Land Title Act 1994 and Land Act 1994

GENERAL REQUEST

QUEENSLAND LAND REGISTRY
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Dealing No.

Stamp Duty Imprint

1. Nature of request

Administrative Advice

Lodger Name, address & phone number **Lodger Code**

Cultural Heritage Unit
Environmental Planning Division
Environmental Protection Agency
PO Box 155
BRISBANE ALBERT STREET QLD
4002
Ph: 3227 8542 File Ref: 601708

2. Description of Lot | **County** | **Parish** | **Title Reference**

L63/EP2206 (Reserve 433) | Elphinstone | Stuart |

3. Registered Proprietor / Crown Lessee

James Cook University

4. Interest

Fee Simple

5. Applicant

Cultural Heritage Unit
Environmental Protection Agency

6. Request

I hereby request that an administrative advice be entered against the land described in section 2. Notification of provisional entry in the Heritage Register pursuant to s.31(1) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992.*

7. Execution by applicant

Execution Date

17/ 03 /1999

Applicant's or Solicitor's Signature

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Helen Gregory, Director Cultural Heritage

Note: A Solicitor is required to print full name if signing on behalf of the Applicant

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CURRENT RESERVE SEARCH
DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES, QUEENSLAND

Request No: 102033150
Search Date: 19/03/1999 9:32 am

Title Reference: 49100527
Date Created: 03/10/1997
PAGE: 410-412

Opening Ref: CNS/005221
Purpose: ENVIRONMENTAL PURPOSES
Sub-Purpose: NAVIGATION
Local Name:
Address:
File Ref: RES

TRUSTEES

DIRECTOR-GENERAL,DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT Gazetted on 03/10/1997 Page 410-412
PO BOX 155 BRISBANE Q 4002

LAND DESCRIPTION

LOT 1	CROWN PLAN 904493	Gazetted on 03/10/1997 Page 410-412
	County of MARCH	Parish of COOLOOLA
	Local Government of COOLOOLA	
LOT 2	CROWN PLAN 904493	Gazetted on 03/10/1997 Page 410-412
	County of MARCH	Parish of COOLOOLA
	Local Government of COOLOOLA	
LOT 3	CROWN PLAN 904493	Gazetted on 03/10/1997 Page 410-412
	County of MARCH	Parish of COOLOOLA
	Local Government of COOLOOLA	

Area: 57.263000 Ha. (SURVEYED)

EASEMENTS AND ENCUMBRANCES

1. TRUSTEE LEASE No 702542913 05/03/1998 at 11:58
AUSTRALIAN MARITIME SAFETY AUTHORITY
OF PART,BEING LOTS 1 AND 2 ON CP 904493

ADMINISTRATIVE ADVICES

ealing	Type	Lodgement Date	Status
703233796	HERITGE SITE	18/03/1999 15:14	CURRENT
	CULTURAL HERITAGE UNIT, 601708		

UNREGISTERED DEALINGS - NIL

CERTIFICATE OF TITLE ISSUED - No

Caution - Charges do not necessarily appear in order of priority

** End of Current Reserve Search **

Requested By: CITEC CONFIRM

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Enquires Joanne Edwards
Telephone 3227 6494
Your reference
Our reference 601708

MEMORANDUM

TO: Olwyn Crimp
Director, Environmental Planning

THROUGH: Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage

Endorsed 19/4/99

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FROM: Joanne Edwards
A/Principal Research Officer, Cultural Heritage

SUBJECT: **Extension of Time to select an assessor**
Delegation under section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Honourable the Minister for Environment and Heritage under section 28.

RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker), Stuart, Townsville

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BACKGROUND

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objection. The objection concerned the heritage register boundary of the place rather than the cultural heritage significance of the former Bunker with which they are in agreement.

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ISSUES

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Place: **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker)**
File No. **601708**
Extension: **from 21 April 1999 to 21 June 1999**

Recommendation:
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Approved

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Olwyn Crimp
Director
Environmental Planning

Date 14/4/99

Not Approved

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Director
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Date.....

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THROUGH: Helen Gregory
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Place: **RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (former Operations and Signals Bunker)**
File No. **601708**
Extension: **from 21 April 1999 to 21 June 1999**

Recommendation:
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Approved **Not Approved**

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Olwyn Crimp
Director
Environmental Planning

Date .....

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Olwyn Crimp
Director
Environmental Planning

Date.....

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7 April 1999

Mr Ted Dews
Director, Central Services
James Cook University
Townsville Q 4811

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Dear Mr Dews

re: Provisional entry of the former RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters in the Queensland Heritage Register

Thankyou for your letter of 29 September 1998 responding to our notice of the provisional entry of the former RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters in the Queensland Heritage Register.

I apologise for not responding to this letter earlier. I note that while you are in agreement with the decision to enter the former Operations and Signals Bunker on the Queensland Heritage Register on the basis of its cultural heritage significance, you wish to restrict the heritage register boundary to that area alone.

After discussions with officers from the Northern Regional office of the Environmental Protection Agency who visited the site, I would like to suggest that the area of the bunker, along with a heritage curtilage of 10 metres on all sides of the bunker be considered by you as the heritage register boundary. A curtilage of 10 metres on all sides of the bunker will provide the Heritage Council with an opportunity to be involved with development proposals within this area and to determine whether such proposals impact on the cultural heritage significance of the place.

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If this heritage register boundary is agreeable to you, could you confirm in writing. I have sought an extension of time from the Minister to deal with this matter before 21 June 1999.

A necessary attachment to the Entry in the Heritage Register is a correct survey plan with the heritage register boundary marked. Could you forward a plan of the site on which this information could be drafted.

Many thanks for your assistance in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact Ms Joanne Edwards, A/Principal Heritage Research Officer on (07) 3227 6494 should you have further queries.

Yours sincerely

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Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage

C/c Andrew Border, Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Region, Townsville

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Your reference
Our reference 601708

15 October 1998

MEMORANDUM: Director, Cultural Heritage

SUBJECT: **Extension of Time for the appointment of an assessor**
Delegation under Section 7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* of the powers of the Honourable the Minister for Environment under Section 28
former RAAF No. 3 Fight Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House, James Cook University

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BACKGROUND:

The former RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House, James Cook University was nominated to the Heritage Register on 3 October 1995.

At its meeting on 28 August 1998 the Heritage Council resolved to enter the former RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House, James Cook University in the Heritage Register.

A period of 30 days was allowed for the owners of the place or any other person to object to the entry of the former RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House, James Cook University in the Heritage Register [S.26.(1) and S.26.(2)]; during this period the James Cook University lodged an objection.

If an objection is received then the Heritage Council must within 14 days after receiving the objection select an assessor from the panel of assessors and refer the objection to the assessor [S.28]

The Minister may extend the 14 days allowed for the objection to permanent entry of a place in the Heritage Register to be referred to an assessor (S.28)

The Minister under S.7 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* delegated his power under S.28 of the Act to extend the period of time for the Council to select and refer an objection to an assessor to the Director-General, Executive Director (Conservation) and Director, Cultural Heritage by instrument of delegation signed 12 December 1996.

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A letter of objection dated 1 October 1998 from James Cook University, the owner of the site, acknowledges the possible cultural heritage significance of the former RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House, James Cook University but objects to the extent of the area proposed for entry in the Heritage Register.

ISSUES:

- An extension of time is required to allow for negotiations with James Cook University concerning the extent of the area entered in the Heritage Register.

Place:	**The former RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House, James Cook University**
File No.	**601708**
Extension:	**from 19 October 1998 to 21 April 1999**

Recommendation:
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Approved

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Helen Gregory
Director
Cultural Heritage

Date 16.10.98

Not Approved

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Helen Gregory
Director
Cultural Heritage

Date.....

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Ray Osborne
Manager, Historic Heritage

HERITAGE REGISTER REPORT TO HERITAGE COUNCIL
FOR MEETING NO. 91
23 OCTOBER 1998

91.5.8 OBJECTIONS TO PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION FOR PERIOD: 4

73(2)Irrelevant

(2) 601708 Former Signals Bunker, Stuart, Townsville

73(2)Irrelevant

91.5.9 OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED REMOVAL FROM THE HERITAGE REGISTER: Nil

91.5.10 APPOINTMENT OF ASSESSOR: 1

73(2)Irrelevant

91.5.11 ASSESSOR REPORT RECEIVED FOR THE PERIOD: Nil

91.5.12 CERTIFICATE OF IMMUNITY RECEIVED FOR PERIOD: Nil

91.5.13 APPEAL AND / OR REPORT / PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COURT: Nil

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Message

To Ray 12/10/98

Date 9.45

While you were out...

From Helen Lucas

Phone No. 4722 5339 Ext

Telephoned	Please Phone
Called to see you	Will Call Again
Wants to see you	URGENT

Message Re: Bunkers in

Is requiring a

@ 12-30 Lucas

Received by

ERRORS

1) HANG UP OR LINE FAIL 2) BUSY 3) NO ANSWER 4) NO FACSIMILE CONNECTION

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Telephone (07) 3227 6499
Fax number (07) 3227 7803

Date: 12 Oct 1998 Time: 10.05 am

Please deliver the following pages to

Name: Helen Lucas

Business/Section: WH + NCH Region

Fax number:

From

Name: Mr Ray Osborne, Manager, Historic Section.

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Name: Mr Ray Osborne, Manager, Historic Section.

Section: CULTURAL HERITAGE BRANCH

Number of pages: 2 (including facsimile cover sheet)

DEH - 601708

Helen,

re: RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector HQ

Copy of letter of objection from James Cook Uni. Would welcome your / Environmental advice on this in due course. We are seeking an extension of time for the appointment of an arbitrator to allow discussions re: proposed works.

1. Permit when CHA required
2. S.34 approval 'in relation to development' this section (g) is not - Depends on extent of excavation and visual impact etc.

RO.

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JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY

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File Reference: EAD:ELC/Bunker - Dept Environ

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29 September, 1998

Ms Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage
Department of Environment
PO Box 155
BRISBANE, ALBERT STREET, QLD 4002

Dear Ms Gregory,

Thank you for your advice of the provisional listing of the former RAAF No 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters etc., in accordance with the Queensland Heritage Act.

As you will know, James Cook University holds this property under a Deed of Grant in Trust from the Crown for Educational Purposes. Should the University decide at any time that it has no use for the property, it has to be offered back to the Crown, and it is a matter for Crown discretion as to whether or not any compensation is payable.

While acknowledging the possible cultural significance of the bunker, (measuring about 18 x 13 metres, = 234 sq metres or 0.0234ha) we wish to object formally to the proposed listing on the following grounds.

a) The extent of the area proposed for listing is grossly excessive. At 2.7225ha it is more than 116 times the area of the bunker.

b) The surrounding area is of no historic value. The roads and concrete slab were associated with low quality buildings that were built for short term use. The last of them was removed from the site in about 1974.

c) The excessive area of zoning alienates valuable developable land. James Cook University's long term purpose in retaining the land has been for possible future off-campus student accommodation. The listing of an excessive area severely restricts development potential.

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d) The attempted justification of retention of the large area because of "remnants and material scatter" from other structures grossly inflates the potential value of remaining debris from common structures and utilities services found extensively across the region. This is nothing unique about them.

We therefore request that the listing be restricted to the bunker building.

Yours sincerely,

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Ted A Dews
Director, Central Services

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addressed to:
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Townsville Qld 4810.
Telephone: 4727 9000
Fax No.: 4727 9053
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Townsville

TOWNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, WALKER STREET
TOWNSVILLE

DEPARTMENTAL FACSIMILE NUMBER (07) 4727 9052

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In reply please quote ref.: 33.03.080
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F.C. 8.09.1998
DIM:KK

10 September 1998

Department of Environment
14 SEP 1998
QUEENSLAND

The Director
Cultural Heritage
Department of Environment
Queensland Government
PO Box 155
ALBERT STREET
BRISBANE QLD 4002

Dear Sir

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APPLICATION UNDER s24 OF THE QUEENSLAND HERITAGE ACT 1992 PROPOSING THE ENTRY IN THE HERITAGE REGISTER OF FORMER AREA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS (AREA BOUNDED BY STUART DRIVE, MOONIE STREET AND DIAMANTINA STREET) WULGURU

Thank you for your advice dated 29 July 1998, reference 601708 (Greg Hallam), concerning the above.

In reply, I wish to advise that :-

1. The subject land, Lot 110 on EP767 (area bounded by Stuart Drive, Moonie Street and Diamantina Street) is owned by the James Cook University.

2. The subject land is zoned Special Purposes (Educational Establishment).

3. That Council would support the nomination of the subject land to be listed in the State Heritage Register.

4. That Council records indicate no applications or approvals which may affect this site.

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Should you require any further information, please contact Senior Technical Officer, Doug Millican, of this Department on phone number 4727 9461 for assistance.

Yours faithfully

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ANDREW BULLEN
ACTING MANAGER
TOWN PLANNING SERVICES

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HERITAGE COUNCIL

QUEENSLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE

Heritage Register Proposal

Under the provisions of s.24 (4) (a), *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, the Heritage Council gives public notice that it proposes to enter in the Heritage Register on a permanent basis the following places:—

Cairns: Cairns City Council Chambers, 151 Abbott Street, Cairns. Lot 701-707 and Lots 727-730 on Plan C1981, Parish of Cairns, County of Nares.

Cairns: Masonic Temple, 8-8A Minnie Street, Cairns. Lot 1 on Registered Plan 708836<20305215> and Lot 2 of Registered Plan 708836<N0315/66>, Parish of Cairns, County of Nares.

Gladstone: Kullaroo House, 40 Goondoon Street, Gladstone. Lot 4 on Registered Plan 906141, Parish of Gladstone, County of Clinton.

Gold Coast: Former Southport Town Hall, corner Nerang and Davenport Streets. Lot 18 on Plan S1862132, Parish of Nerang, County of Ward.

Gold Coast: Southport Drill Hall, Owen Park, 210 Queen Street, Southport. Part of Lot 26 on Registered Plan 844053, Parish of Nerang, County of Ward.

Manly: Retaining Wall (otherwise known as The Great Wall of Manly), Road Reserve, corner of Falcon and Wellington Streets, Manly. Parish of Tingalpa, County of Stanley.

Toowong: Toowong Swimming Pool, south corner of Booth Street and Coronation Drive, Toowong. Lots 82-86 on Registered Plan 18664.

Toowong: Toowong Municipal Library, 579-583 Coronation Drive. Lot 2 on Registered Plan 54052 and Lots 80-81 on Registered Plan 18664, Parish of Enoggera, County of Stanley.

Toowoomba: Toowoomba Police Station Complex, 50-52 Neil Street, Toowoomba. Lot 12 on Plan D10392: Reserve 673, Parish of Drayton, County of Aubigny.

Townsville: Townsville & District Education Centre (formerly West End State School), 27-39 Ingham Road, Townsville. Lot 706 on Plan N25283, Parish of Coonambelah, County of Elphinstone.

Townsville: "Former Operations and Signals Bunker, (RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters) (3FSHQ)/ Stuart Immigration Hostel/Stuart House (Part of James Cook University)", Off Stuart Drive, Stuart. Part of Lot 63 on Plan EP2200 (Reserve 433). Parish of Stuart, County of Elphinstone.

West End: Thomas Dixon Centre, 406 Montague Road, West End. Lot 417 on Plan SL8190. Parish of South Brisbane, County of Stanley.

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The owner or any person may object to the permanent entry of the above places in the Heritage Register. Objections may be made only on the basis that a place is not of cultural heritage significance and does not satisfy the criteria for entry in the Register. Objections stating the detailed grounds must be lodged with the Heritage Council by close of business on 5 October, 1998. If no objections are received then the places will be permanently entered in the Heritage Register.

Heritage Council, care of the Director, Cultural Heritage Branch, Department of Environment, PO Box 155, Brisbane Albert Street, Qld, 4002.

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2 September, 1998

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James Cook University
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TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

Cc: Mr Brian Guthrie
Chief Executive Officer
Townsville City Council
TOWNSVILLE MAIL CENTRE
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Dear Mr Dews

I wish to advise that at its meeting on 28 August 1998, the Heritage Council approved the provisional entry of the former ***'RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/ Stuart Immigration Hostel/ Stuart House, James Cook University***, situated on Lot 63 on Plan EP2200: Reserve 433, Parish of Stuart, County of Elphinstone in the Heritage Register.

The Heritage Council resolved Resolution No: 89.29 and No: 89.30 in accordance with Section 24(4) of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* to enter the ***'RAAF No. 3 Fighter Sector Headquarters (3FSHQ)/ Stuart Immigration Hostel/ Stuart House, James Cook University'*** provisionally in the Heritage Register because it is a place of cultural heritage significance and satisfies s.23(1) Criteria a, c, g and e of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992.* The reasons for this decision are as follows:

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I have pleasure in enclosing for you, the owner of the place, a copy of the Entry in the Heritage Register for your interest and information.

The notice of the Heritage Council's proposal to enter the place in the Heritage Register on a permanent basis will be placed in the Queensland Government Gazette on Friday 4 September 1998, and *The Courier Mail* and *Townsville Bulletin* on Saturday 5 September 1998.

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The purpose of including a place on the Heritage Register is to give recognition to the significance of the place as part of Queensland's cultural heritage. The Cultural Heritage Branch of the Department of Environment and Heritage has expertise available to advise owners on the process of conservation. Conservation does not mean that changes cannot be made.

A place is subject to the provisions of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* once it has been provisionally entered on the Heritage Register. Therefore, any application for development to be carried out to a registered place must be lodged with the Local Government. Unless the Local Government has delegation under the Act, the application must be referred to the Heritage Council.

Mr Ray Osborne, Manager (Historic Section) can be contacted on (07) 3227 6732, or at the above address should you require further information or assistance.

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Yours sincerely

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Helen Gregory
Director, Cultural Heritage

B/c Mr Andrew Border, Acting Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Northern Region, Department of Environment and Heritage.

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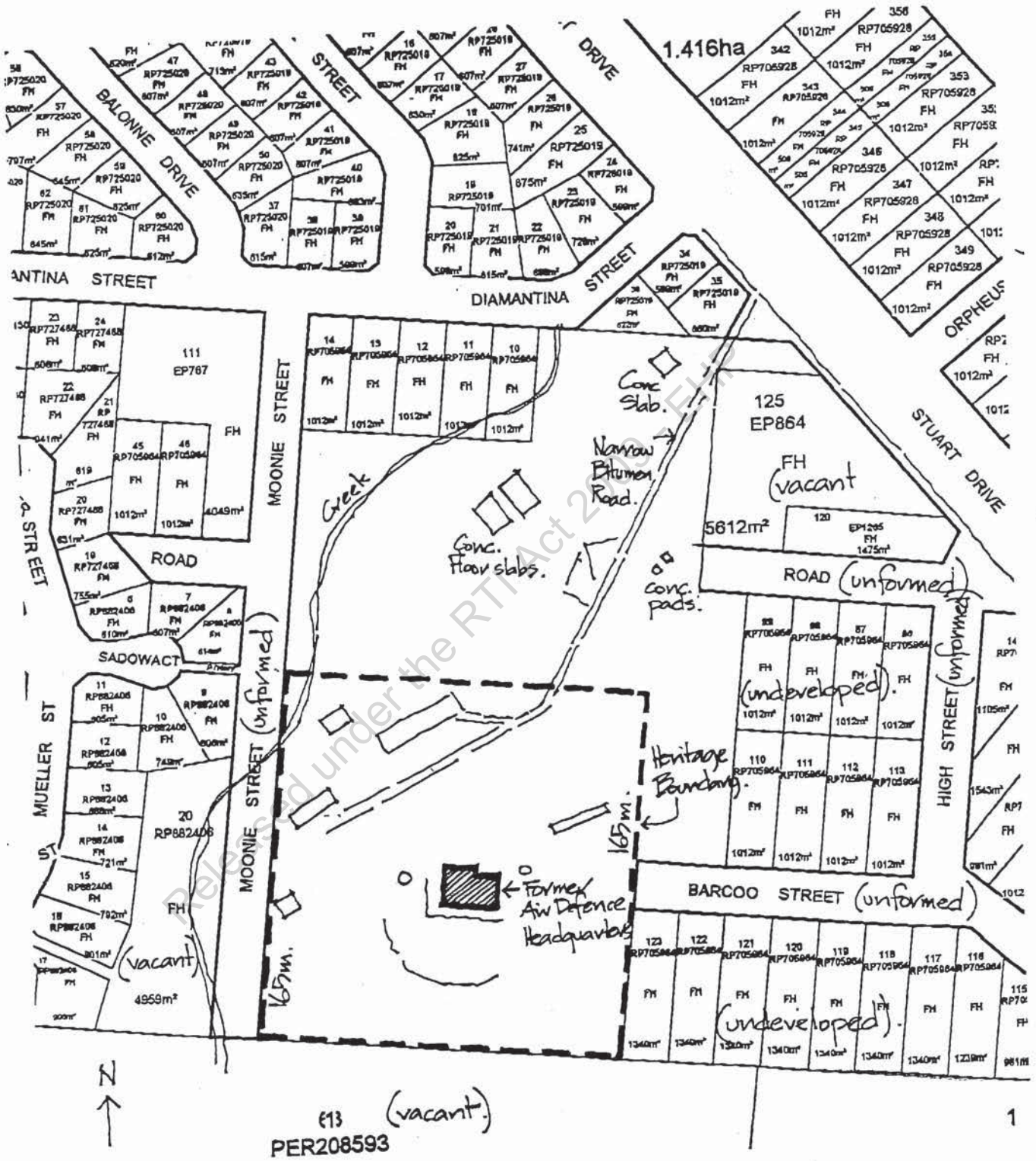

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89.5.2 NOMINATIONS EXAMINED BY HRAC MEETING No 36 (cont) : 20

(5) **601708** **Former RAAF Air Defence Headquarters, cnr Diamantina Street, Stuart Drive & Hill Street, Townsville**

HRAC were of the opinion that the Former RAAF Air Defence Headquarters is significant as the key communications centre for Allied Air Forces operating out of Townsville.

HRAC considered the Former RAAF Air Defence Headquarters to be a place of cultural heritage significance and satisfies one or more of the criteria in s.23(1) of the Act.

HRAC recommended the Former RAAF Air Defence Headquarters for Provisional Entry in the Heritage Register.

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QUEENSLAND HERITAGE ACT 1992

REPORT ON NOMINATION FOR ENTRY IN THE HERITAGE REGISTER UNDER SECTION 24

Heritage Council Agenda No. : 89.5.3(12) **File Reference No.** : 601708

Heritage Council Meeting Date: Friday 28 August 1998

Name and Address of the Place: Former Operations and Signals Bunker
Off Stuart Drive, Stuart, Townsville

Owner of the Place: James Cook University of North Queensland

Nominator: Townsville Military Museum Action Group

Nomination Lodged: 3 October 1995

Details submitted with the nomination:
The nomination was submitted with a limited history and description.

Representations Received: Nil

Site Inspected: Nicola Stairmand on 20 July 1998

Background Information:

- A nomination was received for the site from the Museum Action Group including a limited history and description.
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- The Department was informed that in the very long term it is possible that the land will be used for university purposes, however, the position of the bunker would not be viewed as problematic.

Date Referred to the Heritage Register Advisory Sub-committee of the Heritage Council: 7 August 1998

Recommendation:
Resolution 1
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Resolution 2
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Reasons: See attached Entry in the Heritage Register.

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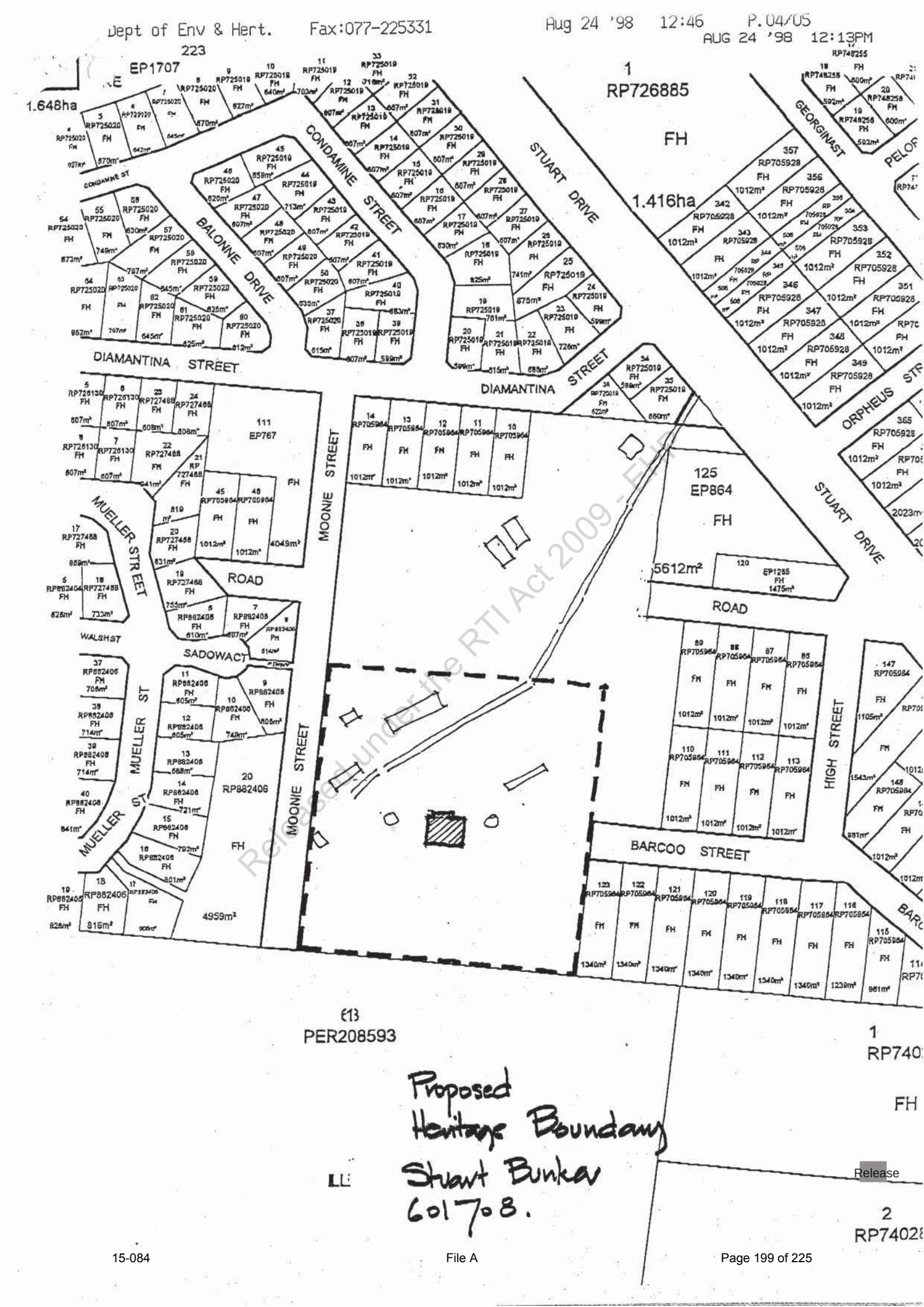

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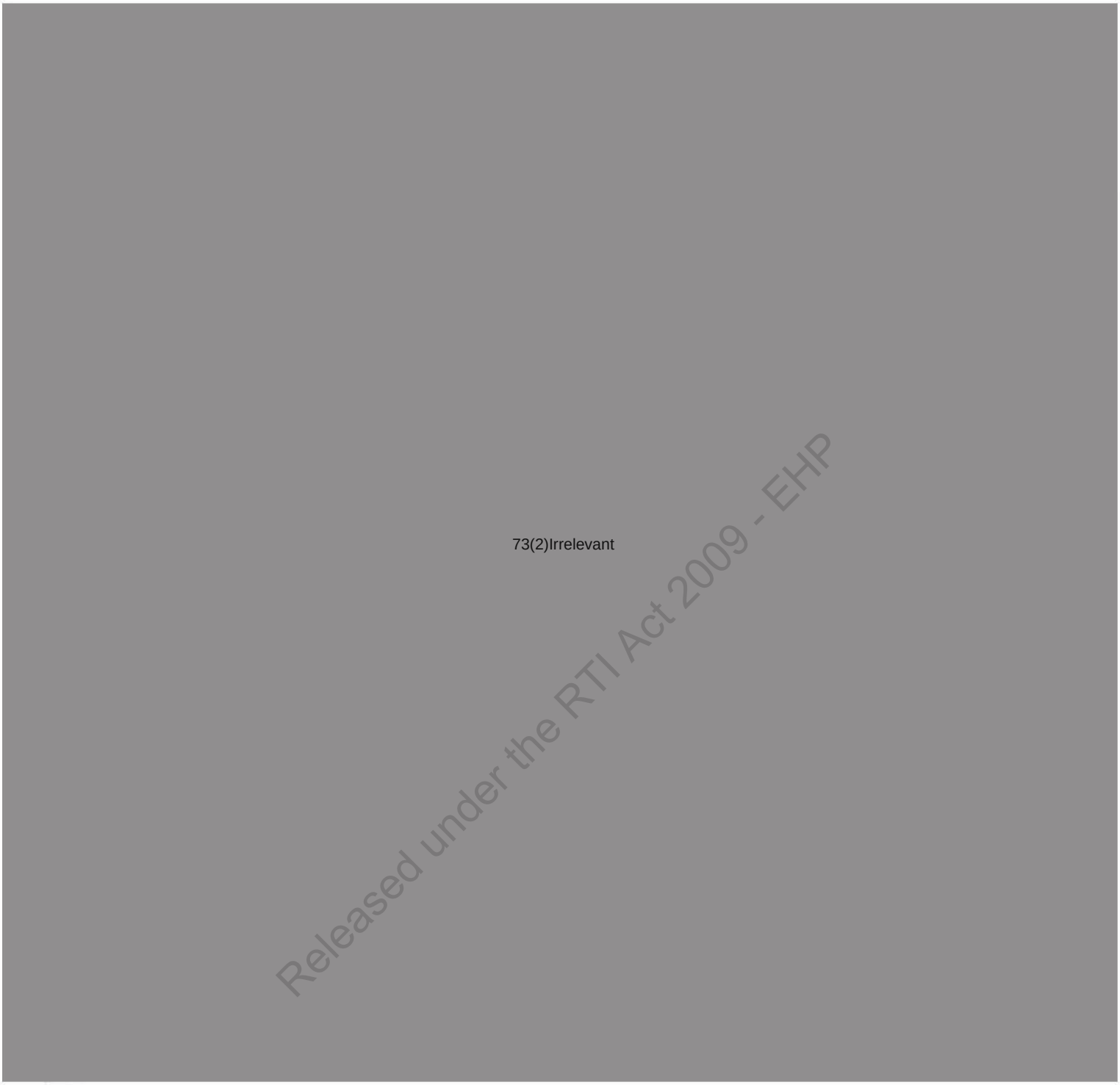

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Marianne, Fiona.

Our computers are down at present.

Please find following sketch proposals for heritage boundaries for West End School + Stuart Bunker.

I will have another site visit this week to check these boundaries before the meeting on Friday. If these boundaries are adopted we can prepare nicer drawings.

Issues

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Stuart Bunker

- Defining a boundary here is difficult.
- What I am proposing is to include a sufficient amount of the rugged hillside context, plus a representative sample of the archaeological material.
- From the aerial photos, it is shown that most of the surrounding streets are yet unformed, but when they are they will provide access to the site should it be reduced to the heritage boundary.
- Although the adjoining land use is residential, the University may choose to built facilities here, which would be higher than residential + block the outlook of the bunker + the vista to it. It is therefore preferable to include sufficient foreground as well.
- The nomination was in order to establish a military museum here. The amount of land they want will probably be negotiated between them + the University, should the museum go ahead. The heritage boundary could also be interpreted as a minimum for that it those negotiations.

Stewart.

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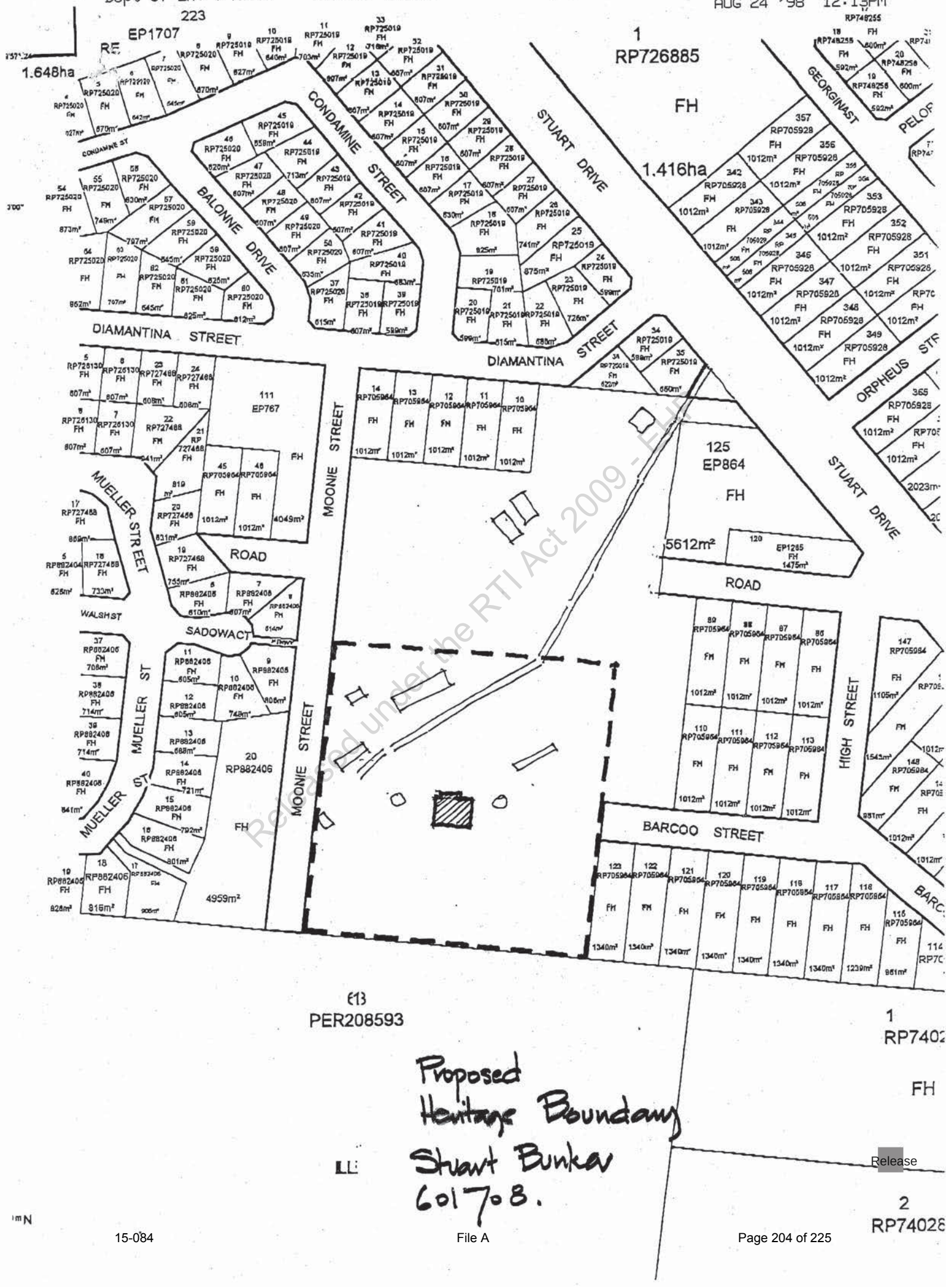

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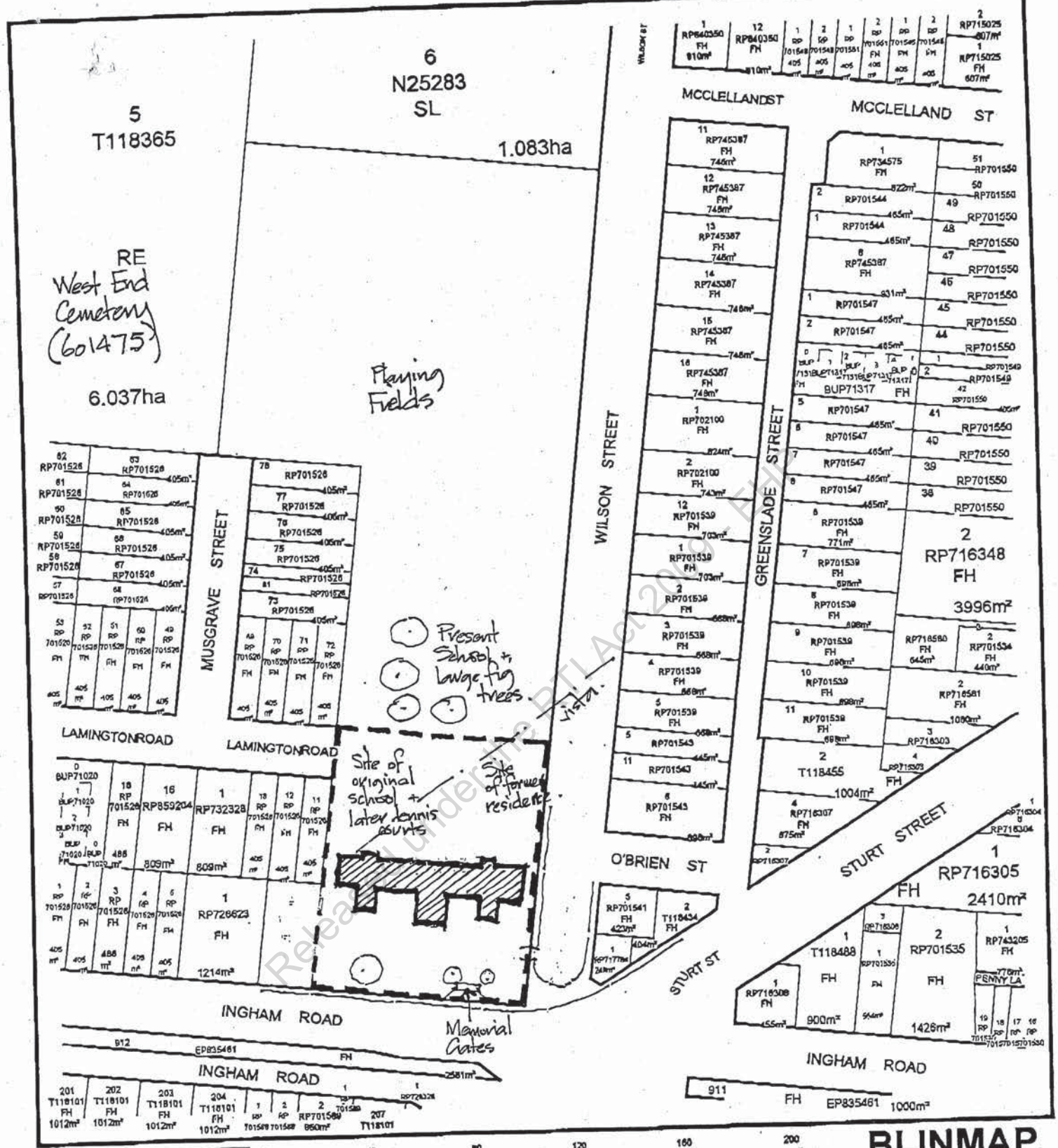

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BLINMAP

An External Product of the Basic Land Information Network
Based upon information from the Digital Cadastral Data Base

MAP WINDOW POSITION

NEAREST LOCALITY
CASTLE HILL

SUBJECT PARCEL DESCRIPTION

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For symbology see the BLIN Abbreviations Sheet.

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Proposed Heritage Boundary. West End State School

602049

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(c) The State of Queensland, Department of Natural Resources, 1998.

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HERITAGE REGISTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AGENDA NO. 36

Meeting to be held Friday, 7 August 1998

at Floor 9 Conference Room

160 Ann Street, Brisbane - 3.30pm

TIME TABLE

3.30pm - 3.40pm Attendance

Apologies

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[redacted]
73(2)Irrelevant

4.55pm - 5.05pm

(5) 601708 Former RAAF Air Defence Headquarters, cnr Diamantina Street, Stuart Drive & Hill Street, Townsville

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This work program reflects the amount of time we have to give to the task.

St art is very busy with development applications, conservation plans for Greenmount, local heritage committee meetings, etc, etc, etc.

My work commitments are similar. As well as my involvement with the Charters Towers Heritage Committee and other day to day issues, I will be working on a context study of the sugar towns of Ayr and Ingham during the next twelve months.

I hope this work plan is sufficient for now .

Cheers,

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Queensland Department of Environment

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Memorandum

Northern Regional Centre
Old Quarantine Station
PALLARENDA QLD 4810

PO Box 5391
TOWNSVILLE MAIL CENTRE QLD 4810

TO : Ray Osborne
Cultural Heritage
Fax 07-32277803

FAXED

FROM : Penny Cook (Regional Manager)
Cultural Heritage
Phone 077 - 225318 Fax 077 -225331
Date 11/3/97

Subject: Nominations to the QHR

Notes 14.3

After discussions with Helen Gregory in regard to the urgency of dealing with outstanding nominations, I have gone through our list with Helen Lucas and Stewart Armstrong and provide you with the following comments/data:

73(2)Irrelevant

Ken,
for your information with the backlog project

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- It is recommended that the following nominations require further regional action, prior to consideration:

73(2)Irrelevant

601142 WWII Bunker, Stuart ← Ipt arrangement cancelled
↳ Same as 601708.

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Some of the above information may be out of date. However, I am informed that we are working from a relatively old list of nominations. If you have an upgrade that we can assess, which in turn may result in a tidier list than that presented above, please forward same and we will deal with it ASAP.

Please note that for ease of action, a number of separate memos are attached.

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6 August 1998

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Department of Environment
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Department of Environment
10 AUG 1998
QUEENSLAND

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10.8.98

Dear Mr Osborne

QUEENSLAND HERITAGE REGISTER NOMINATION (YOUR REF. 601708)

I refer to your letter of 29 July and our telephone discussion of 6 August.

As indicated, the property is held by JCU under a Deed of Grant in Trust from the Crown (State) for use for educational purposes.

Would this affect your approach to Heritage listing?

There is a fairly large (several ha) parcel of land with concrete bunkers built into the hills at the back of it. There are now no other improvements on the site.

While I have not yet consulted others about our formal response my impression is that we would be neutral, on the assumption that we would not be faced with any costs.

In the very long term it is possible that the land would be used for University purposes but we would not see the bunker as a problem. It is out of the way.

We have no knowledge of how it (the bunker) was actually used, or what other buildings formerly on the site were used for.

I have heard of other buildings in Townsville being designated as military headquarters during World War 2.

Yours sincerely

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E.A. Dews
Director, Central Services

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Greg Hallam
(07) 3227 8542

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29 July 1998

Mr Hugh Crowther
Secretary Townsville Military
Museum Action Group
51 St Jarvis Drive
BELGIAN GARDENS
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

Dear Mr Crowther

Thank you for your nomination of the former ***'Area Command Headquarters, Wulguru'*** for entry in the Heritage Register, which has been received by the Cultural Heritage Branch of the Department of Environment and Heritage.

The nomination is to be scheduled for appraisal and an officer from the Department will be in contact with you regarding the nominated place. Please be aware that because of the significant number of nominations to the Heritage Register received to date, it may be some time before the assessment process is completed.

Thank you for your interest in conserving Queensland's heritage. Should you need to discuss the progress of the nomination, Mr Ray Osborne can be contacted on telephone (07) 3227 6732.

Yours sincerely

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Ray Osborne
Acting Director, Cultural Heritage

b/c Mr Andrew Border, Acting Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Northern Region, Department of Environment and Heritage

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Greg Hallam
(07) 3227 8542 / fax: (07) 3227 7803

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29 July 1998

Mr Ted Dews
Central Services Office
James Cook University
of North Queensland
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

Dear Mr Dews

Queensland Heritage Register Nomination

I write to inform you that the Department of Environment and Heritage has received a nomination to the Queensland Heritage Register for the former ***'Area Command Headquarters, (area bounded by Moonie Street, Stuart Drive and Diamantina Street) , Wulguru'*** . The Department understands that the James Cook University of North Queensland owns this property, which comprises Lot 110 on Registered Plan EP767, Parish of Stuart, County of Elphinstone.

In writing to you, I am seeking some indication of your attitude toward the nomination. I hope also to avoid any misunderstanding concerning the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992*, should the Heritage Council proceed with entering the former ***'Area Command Headquarters ,Wulguru'*** in the Heritage Register. I enclose four pamphlets prepared by this Department for owners of heritage places, which may answer some of your questions and possible concerns about heritage legislation.

If you would like to discuss the nomination further, please contact Mr Ray Osborne on (07) 3227 6732.

Yours sincerely

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Ray Osborne
Acting Director, Cultural Heritage

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Enc. *What is a Heritage Place?*
What's in it for me? Advantages of owning a Heritage Property
Heritage Listing - What does it mean?
Heritage Places - your questions answered

b/c Mr Andrew Border, Acting Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Northern Region, Department of Environment and Heritage

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29 July 1998

Mr Brian Guthrie
Chief Executive Officer
Townsville City Council
PO Box 1268
TOWNSVILLE MAIL CENTRE
TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810

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Dear Mr Guthrie

Application under s.24 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* proposing the entry in the Heritage Register of former Area Command Headquarters, (area bounded by Stuart Drive, Moonie Street and Diamantina Street) , Wulguru

I would advise that the Queensland Heritage Council has received the above application for the place described as Lot 110 on Registered Plan EP 767 , Parish of Stuart, County of Elphinstone.

To assist the Queensland Heritage Council in the consideration of the application, I would be most grateful if you could please advise if:

- there is a valid Development and/or Building Approval for the place; or,
- there is a Development and/or Building Application currently before your Council for this place; or,
- any discussions are taking place concerning the future development of this place.

Furthermore, the Queensland Heritage Council would be pleased to receive any comments your Council may wish to make in relation to this proposal.

To allow this matter to be progressed I would be grateful if you could respond within 28 days of receipt of this letter.

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If you have any queries concerning this matter please contact Mr Ray Osborne on (07) 3227 6732.

Yours sincerely

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Acting Director, Cultural Heritage

b/c Mr Andrew Border, Acting Regional Manager, Cultural Heritage, Northern Region, Department of Environment and Heritage

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DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES I.V.A.S. PURPROPRE
27-JUL-1998 15:39 Property Report

LA/Div : 800 TOWNSVILLE
Valn No : 20669/00000

Property Address : 343 STUART DVE, WULGURU, 4811
Frontage : 0.000 metres Depth : 0.000 metre

Owners : JAMES COOK UNIVERSITY OF NORTH QUEENSLAND

Tenants in Common : N
Exempt from Rating: Y

Service Address :

RPD : L110/EP767:PAR STUART

Tenure : VC STATE LAND Rental Value Required : N
Area : 5.41HA

Valuation Information-:

Date of Effect	Date of Valn.	Unimproved Value	Sect Code	Date of Issue
30/06/97	01/10/96	$202,500	28	01/04/97

Land Use Information-:
L/Use Type : AV L/Use Code : 01 VACANT URBAN LAND
L/Use Type : P L/Use Code : 01 VACANT URBAN LAND
L/Use Type : S L/Use Code : 53 COMMONWEALTH (SECONDARY LANDUS

Number of Lots : 1 Business Indicator : N

Property Type : U URBAN
Issuing Status : I ISSUING
Services : WS WATER & SEWERAGE
Zoning : 01 RESIDENTIAL 1

Map Nos : 0180000000

SMA : 31 Financial Div : 0 Cancelled Property : N
Benefitted Area ID :

End of Report
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Mr Ted Dews.
Central Services Office.
James Cook University of
North Queensland.
Townsville. Qld. 4810.

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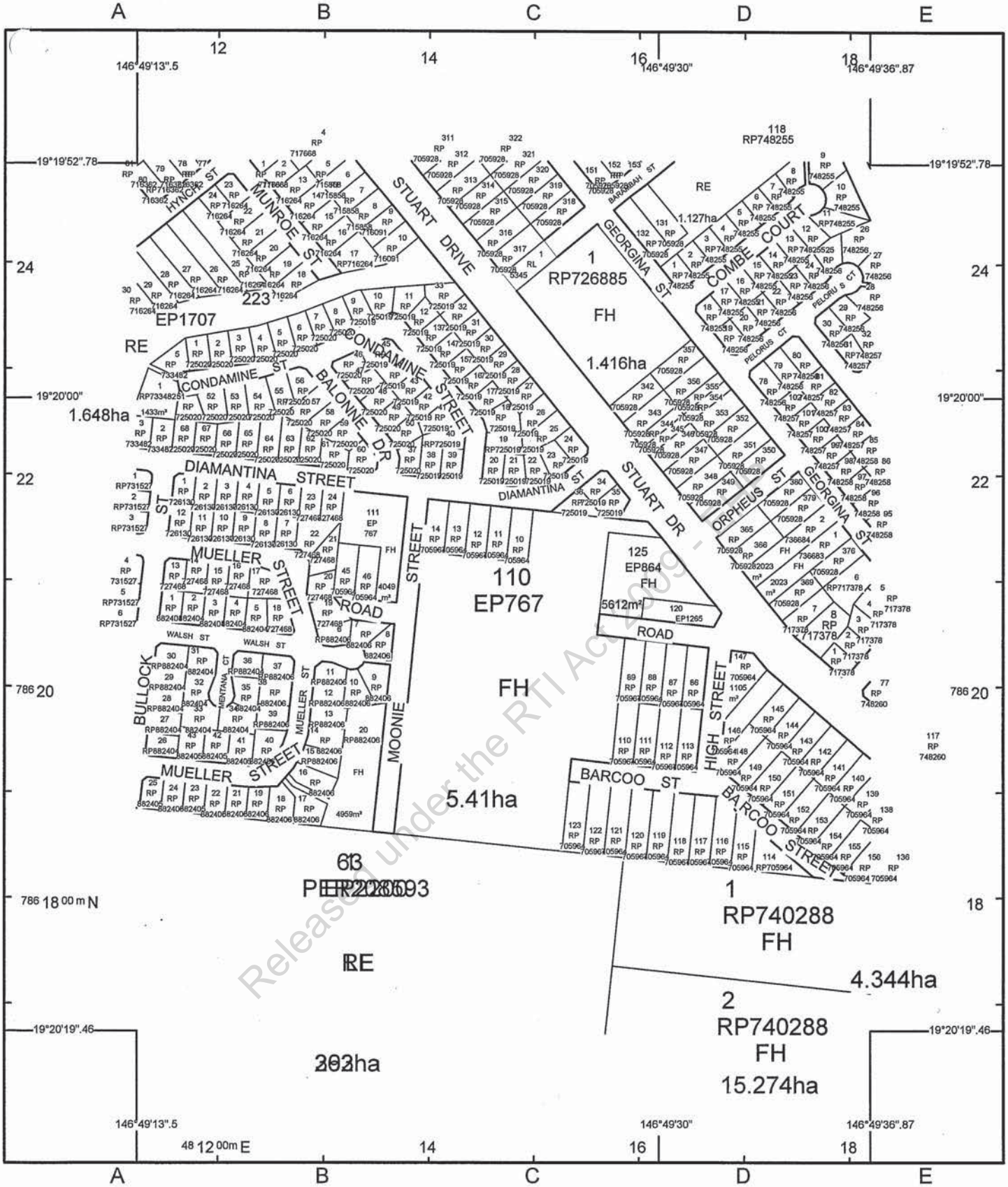

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MAP WINDOW POSITION

146°49'25"
19°20'06"

NEAREST LOCALITY

STUART
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SUBJECT PARCEL DESCRIPTION

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HERITAGE REGISTER REPORT TO HERITAGE COUNCIL
FOR MEETING NO. 77
29 AUGUST 1997

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(1) **601708** **World War II Bunker, Stuart**

HRAC recommended that the nomination proceed.

73(2)Irrelevant

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Notes

Ken,

Thank you for your fax advising of the correction to three listing numbers.

Stewart advises me that CO is sending letters to all nominators of places where there is insufficient information provided. Can you please note that we are actively working on the nominations listed below in order to seek advice from HRAC and/or we are aware of on-going issues (that we haven't yet had time to pass on). It may be counter-productive for CO letters to go out in these circumstances. We therefore request that before any letters go out in regard to the following places, there is consultation with us.

73(2)Irrelevant

601708 WWII Bunker Stuart (Stuartholm)

Thanking you in anticipation.

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Penny Cook

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Some of the above information may be out of date. However, I am informed that we are working from a relatively old list of nominations. If you have an upgrade that we can assess, which in turn may result in a tidier list than that presented above, please forward same and we will deal with it ASAP.

Please note that for ease of action, a number of separate memos are attached.

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Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage

160 Ann Street • Brisbane Queensland • PO Box 155 • BRISBANE ALBERT STREET QLD 4002
Telephone (07) 3227 7111 • Facsimile (07) 3227 6534

Enquiries to Ray Osborne
Telephone (07) 3227 6732

Your reference
Our reference 601708

1 December 1995

Townsville Military Museum Action Group
c/- 6 Condamine St
Wulguru Q 4811

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your nomination of the World War II installation bounded by Diamantina and Hill Streets and by Stuart Drive, Wulguru for entry in the Heritage Register, which has been received by the Cultural Heritage Branch of the Department of Environment and Heritage.

I note that the nomination has come with very limited supporting information. To strengthen your nomination, additional information from you is requested. These details are set out as requirements on the nomination form, i.e. statements of history, description, and significance of the place. Supporting evidence such as references; photographs and drawings are also requested as part of the nomination, if available.

I thank you for your interest in conserving Queensland's heritage, and look forward to receiving any further information that you can supply. Should you wish to discuss the matter, Mr Ray Osborne, Manager - Historic Section, can be contacted at the above address and by telephoning (07) 3227 6732.

Yours sincerely

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Greg Wellard
Director
Cultural Heritage

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Proposal for the entry of a place in the Heritage Register pursuant to Section 24 (1). *(see reverse side of form)*

OFFICE USE ONLY
Reference 601708
Nomination

DETAILS OF PLACE

Name of place and/or former name: Unknown Stuartholm? 95/16276

Location or address: Area Bounded by Diamantina St. Stuart Dve. & Hill St. WULGURU, Q

Real Property Description:

Zoning: Quarry Reserve

Local Government Authority: Townsville City Council

Ownership: Townsville City Council & James Cook University

INFORMATION REQUIRED

1. HISTORY [Statement of the history of the place - please attach details]

During WWII used as a Communications Centre
After WWII used as a Migrant Hostel

2. DESCRIPTION [Description of the place today - please attach details]

Concrete Bunker has been burnt out but remains. Concrete floors of Nissan huts and aboultion blocks remain. Evidence of Slit trenches etc. on Hill. Remains of antenna in some areas

3. SIGNIFICANCE [Statement of heritage significance relating to the criteria in Section 23 (1) - please attach details]

Believed to be central communications centre for Townsville region during WWII

4. REFERENCES [Sources from which further information may be obtained - please attach details]

5. PHOTOGRAPHS AND DRAWINGS [Photographs and other material showing the place today - please attach]

PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

Name: Townsville Military Museum Action Group

Address: c/- 6 Condamine Street WULGURU, Q 4811

Contact telephone number: 784815

Interest in property: Present - Nil Would Like to use area for Museum.

[Where the applicant is not the owner, has the owner been notified of this nomination: YES / NO]

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Signature Date 3/10/95

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Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage

EM403-1 July 92

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Part 4 — Registration of Places

Criteria for entry in the Register

23. (1) A place may be entered in the Heritage Register if it is of cultural heritage significance and satisfies 1 or more of the following criteria —

(a) the place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of Queensland's history;

(b) the place demonstrates rare, uncommon or endangered aspects of Queensland's cultural heritage;

(c) the place has potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of Queensland's history;

(d) the place is important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of cultural places;

(e) the place is important in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics valued by the community or a particular cultural group;

(f) the place is important in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period;

(g) the place has a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons;

(h) the place has a special association with the life or work of a particular person, group or organisation of importance in Queensland's history.

(2) A place is not to be excluded from the Heritage Register on the ground that places with similar characteristics have already been entered in the Register.

(3) A place does not satisfy the criteria for entry in the Heritage Register if there is no prospect of the cultural heritage significance of the place being conserved.

Proposal to make an entry in Register

24. (1) The Council may, on its own initiative or on application by any person, consider whether a particular place should be entered in the Heritage Register.

(2) The Council may require an applicant who seeks the entry of a particular place in the Heritage Register to give such information as the Council requires to enable it to deal properly with the application.

(3) The Council may invite written submissions in relation to a place that it has under consideration for possible entry in the Heritage Register —

(a) from any person or body with a special knowledge of, or interest in, the place; or

(b) from any person or body with a special interest in Queensland's cultural heritage.

(4) If the Council is of the opinion that a place is of cultural heritage significance and satisfies 1 or more of the criteria for entry in the Heritage Register, the Council may provisionally enter the place in the Heritage Register and the Council must then immediately —

(a) give the owner of the place, and the local authority for the area in which the place is situated, a written notice —

(i) stating that the Council proposes to enter the place in the Heritage Register on a permanent basis; and
(ii) stating the reasons on which the proposal is based (including a statement of the relevant criteria); and
(iii) explaining the right to object to the proposal; and

(b) give public notice that the Council proposes to enter the place in the Heritage Register on a permanent basis.

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