

**AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE COLLEGE COURSES**

1. The Australian Defence College will be offering places to overseas participants on the Defence and Strategic Studies Course and the Australian Command and Staff Course commencing in January 2001.
2. The Defence and Strategic Studies Course (DSSC) contains 13 modules covering matters such as defence policy formulation, leadership and management and social, political and economic developments in Asia and the Pacific. The modules are intended to inculcate advanced policy related skills, high level corporate leadership and strategic decision making skills, and in-depth knowledge of national and international issues of defence and strategic importance. The DSSC is aimed at the COL rank and its equivalent. Candidates should have clear potential for higher rank and must possess good English language skills.
3. The new Australian Command and Staff Course (ACSC) results from the collocation and partial integration of the Single Service Staff Colleges at Balmoral, Queenscliff and Fairbairn and the civilian Middle Managers Development Program into a purpose built facility at Weston Creek in Canberra. It is aimed at LCDR, MAJ and SQNLDR ranks. The course will be conducted in a joint environment promoting a vision of excellence in warfighting and the development of quality leaders.
4. Would you please extend an offer for :
  - a. 2 officers to attend the DSSC; and
  - b. 1 Navy, 2 Army, 1 Marine and 1 Air Force to attend the ACSC.

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Officers may attend on an accompanied basis for both courses. Country to meet course costs, costs of travel to and from course, salaries, accommodation and allowances. Fees apply to the 2 DSSC places but all ACSC places are at no cost because of reciprocal arrangements.

#### DSSC Course Dates

5. Officers attending the DSSC are required to arrive at the Australian Defence College, Weston Creek, Canberra, on the weekend of 13 January to commence the overseas student familiarisation period prior to the commencement of the course. Course dates are as follows:

15 Jan 2001 - 12 Dec 2001 (Defence and Strategic Studies Course)

#### ACSC Course Dates

6. Officers attending the ACSC are required to arrive at the Australian Defence College, Weston Creek, Canberra, on the weekend of 20 January to commence the overseas student familiarisation period prior to the commencement of the course. Course dates are as follows:

22 Jan 2001 - 14 Dec 2001 (Australian Command and Staff Course)

#### Course Costs and Level of Support for Participant

7. The course costs and levels of assistance for associated costs are listed below:  
 Australian Command and Staff Course - \$84,000  
 Defence and Strategic Studies Course - \$89,250

8. Australia will provide emergency medical and dental treatment free of charge, to overseas students and their dependents, where that treatment can be provided through Australian Defence Force facilities. Where civil medical, dental or hospital services are required, the home country will be expected to pay for such treatment.

#### Administration

9. The Australian and Military Familiarisation is held at the DITC at Royal Australian Airforce Base Williams, located at Laverton in Melbourne, Victoria. Both the ACSC and DSSC are held at the Australian Defence College, Weston Creek, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory. The DITC will arrange the student's travel from Melbourne to Canberra and should arrange for the candidate's departure from Canberra on 17 December 2001.

#### Visa Requirements

10. USA should arrange a visa for the student through their local Australian Embassy.

11. Information brochures for both the courses are enclosed with this letter, for your information. A more personal course joining instruction will be forwarded to you for onforwarding once the offer of training has been accepted and the student's details are advised. Early notification of acceptance and nominee details are requested by ~~16 June~~ <sup>28 July</sup>  
 00. You should forward your response directly to: