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**STAR RANK APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS**

1. I am pleased to announce the following star rank appointments and promotions:
  - a. **Head Force Structure Review.** Air Vice-Marshal N. Hart from January 2014.
  - b. **Program Manager New Air Combat Capability.** Air Vice-Marshal K. Deeble from April 2014.
  - c. **Commander Australian Fleet.** Commodore S. Mayer, on promotion to Rear Admiral, from June 2014.
  - d. **Deputy Chief of Staff, Resources Headquarters International Security Assistance Force.** Brigadier D. Mulhall, on promotion to Major General, from April 2014.
  - e. **Head Information and Communications Technology Operations.** Air Commodore A. Dowse, on promotion to Air Vice-Marshal, from December 2014.
  - f. **Director-General Force Structure Review.** Commodore A. Ingram from February 2014.
  - g. **Director-General Strategic Capability Coordination.** Commodore D. Scott from February 2014.
  - h. **Director-General Exercises and Evaluation.** Air Commodore N. Derwort from December 2014.
  - i. **Deputy Air Commander Australia.** Air Commodore T. Innes from December 2014.
  - j. **Commander Aerospace Operational Support Group.** Air Commodore S. Meredith from December 2014.
  - k. **Australian Defence Force Liaison to United States Joint Chiefs of Staff.** Air Commodore K. Quinn from December 2014.
  - l. **Director-General Land Manoeuvre Systems.** Colonel C. Purdey, on promotion to Brigadier, from March 2014.
  - m. **Director-General Technical Airworthiness—Australian Defence Force.** Group Captain J. Hood, on promotion to Air Commodore, from December 2014.

- n. **Commander Combat Support Group.** Group Captain S. Winchester, on promotion to Air Commodore from December 2014.
  - o. **Army Reserve Training Advisor—Headquarters Force Command.** Brigadier P. Blood from January 2014.
2. I congratulate all officers on their appointments and welcome promotees to the Defence Senior Leadership Group.
3. Movements are expected to occur from the nominated month but may need adjustment according to Service requirements and personal circumstances.



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