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## DISCONTINUATION OF THE USE OF THE RANR POST-NOMINAL

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- A. DEFENCE ACT 1903
- B. ANP 2110
- 1. AS WE REFORM AND GROW OUR WORKFORCE UNDER PLAN PELORUS 2022, I HAVE DECIDED THAT THE RANR POST-NOMINAL TO DISTINGUISH RESERVE OFFICERS FROM OTHERS IS NOW REDUNDANT. HENCEFORTH, SERVING AND RETIRED RESERVE OFFICERS ARE TO ADOPT THE POST-NOMINAL RAN AND RAN (RTD) RESPECTIVELY. THIS CORRECTLY REFLECTS THAT THE NAVY COMPRISES BOTH PERMANENT AND RESERVE MEMBERS AS DETAILED IN REF A AND PROMOTES A ONE NAVY TEAM CULTURE.
- 2. THE PRACTICE OF IDENTIFYING RESERVE OFFICERS WITH RANR IS HISTORICALLY BASED. IN THE PAST, NAVY HAS ALSO USED A NUMBER OF POST-NOMINALS TO IDENTIFY VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE RAN SUCH AS WRANS, RANVR, RANEM, ETC, BUT THESE HAVE BECOME OBSOLETE AND RETIRED AS OUR WORKFORCE HAS EVOLVED.
- 3. AS THE TWM ENABLES MEMBERS TO MOVE FLEXIBLY BETWEEN PERMANENT AND RESERVE SERVICE, ALLOWING THE USE OF THE RAN POST-NOMINAL WILL FURTHER RECOGNISE RESERVE OFFICERS AS AN INTEGRAL COMPONENT OF NAVY'S TOTAL WORKFORCE.
- 4. THE ONGOING USE OF THE STANDARD RAN POST-NOMINAL WILL FACILITATE THE PRACTICAL EFFECT OF DISTINGUISHING NAVAL OFFICERS FROM OFFICERS IN OTHER SERVICES AND NAVIES.
- 5. THIS CHANGE IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. REF B WILL BE AMENDED TO REFLECT THIS CHANGE IN DUE COURSE.