



PRIME MINISTER

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER

**RESERVE FORCES DAY COUNCIL - LAUNCH OF THE 2014 RESERVE
FORCES DAY PARADE**

For over a century, Australia's Reservists have faithfully served our nation.

All Australians honour their commitment and service.

Next year marks the commencement of the Centenary of Anzac. This will be a significant marker in our country's history.

It's sometimes said that our nation was forged at Gallipoli. Certainly, Australians have since taken the courage, initiative and comradeship of the original ANZACs as representative of our country at its best.

The 2014 Reserve Forces Day National Parade will support the Centenary of Anzac commemorations. It will be an opportunity to remember our ex-Reservists who fought in the early stages of the First World War.

I am proud of our serving Reservists, and on behalf of the Government, I send you my best wishes for a successful launch and Parade in 2014.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tony Abbott'.

The Hon Tony Abbott MP
Prime Minister of Australia

31 October 2013