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DFRDB UPDATE - JUNE 2020

Introduction

I hope everyone is safe and that no one has been too severely impacted by COVID-19.

Again, this is a short update, but that is no indication of the time we have spent on DFRDB.

The DFRDB Deception

After reviewing all the evidence, we can now state without any doubt what has happened in the DFRDB scheme. Our view is expressed in a [Letter to Senators](#) (click on the link to view) who requested more information in response to an earlier approach from me.

You can download a template copy of this letter by clicking [here](#). We encourage you to personalize it and send it to your local Member of Parliament and State Senators.

Herb has prepared another video [The DFRDB Deception](#) (click on the link to view), which presents the supporting evidence.

CDDA Application

Herb was promised a decision on his General CDDA claim weeks ago but has so far heard nothing.

Legal Action

We have sought further opinions from two Barristers who have given their time pro bono, as to the courses of legal action open to us.

We had already ruled out any challenge of provisions in the DFRDB Act or its interpretation. We have also ruled out any appeal relating to the Ombudsman's Report, as it would serve no real purpose.

We have yet to see what the response will be to the CDDA claim, but it is unlikely that will serve as a suitable platform for a 'Class Action' type of appeal. Also, it can only be appealed in the Federal Court which encompasses a risk of high costs if we lose.

We intend to trigger another decision which we can appeal to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal. Its basis will be defective administration by Defence and Treasury which led to the DFRDB Act as it currently stands.

Stay safe.

Jim Hislop

President