

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

PUBLICATIONS CONTROL REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

The Publications Control Act 1989 (the Act) regulates the distribution and availability of classified publications (including films and videos).

The Publications Control Regulations (Amendment) (the Regulations) are made pursuant to section 39 of the Act, for the purpose of prescribing certain areas for the purposes of paragraph 19(3)(f) of the Act. Details of the Regulations are as follows.

Regulation 1 provides that regulation 1 comes into operation on notification in the Gazette and that the remaining regulations will come into operation on 1 July 1990.

Regulation 2 inserts a new regulation after regulation 5 of the Publications Control Regulations which prescribes certain areas for the purposes of paragraph 19(3)(f) of the Act. Paragraph 19(3)(f) provides that an 'X' film shall not be published otherwise than in a prescribed area. The areas which are prescribed by this regulation are light industrial areas, which are:

- (a) the Division of Hume in Tuggeranong District;
- (b) the Division of Fyshwick in Canberra Central District;
- (c) the Division of Mitchell in Gungahlin District.

ISSUED BY THE AUTHORITY
OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL