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Press Release:

Canberra - The government and the people of Afghanistan were deeply saddened to hear of the death of Australian soldier David Pearce, in a roadside bombing by extremist forces, on Monday, 8 October and extend their deepest sympathy to the family of Trooper Pearce upon the loss of their beloved husband and father, and to the Australian people on the loss of one of their loyal and courageous sons. As one of the soldiers involved in the reconstruction task force and special task force operating in southern Afghanistan, Trooper Pearce was serving a valuable role in protecting democracy, peace and stability in the region and in the world.

The government of Afghanistan deplores the continuing actions of extremists in the country. The tragedy involving Trooper Pearce has resulted from a change in tactics by the Taliban forces, away from direct confrontation to suicide attacks, kidnappings and roadside bombings. These cowardly actions seek to undermine the considerable achievement made in Afghanistan to date. We must remain steadfast in our commitment to eliminating the threat of terrorism to the world and to the achievement of peace and stability in the region.

The government and the people of Afghanistan support the continuing presence of Australian troops in their country and thanks Australia and its people for their continuing support of their nation. Trooper Pearce's sacrifice was for a noble cause and an immense gratitude is felt by the people of Afghanistan towards Trooper Pearce, his family and the people of Australia.