1. The Repatriation Medical Authority (the Authority) has determined, under subsection 196B(3) & (8) of the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986* (the VEA) the attached Instrument No. 36 of 2008.

2. This instrument amends Statement of Principles Instrument No. 14 of 2006 concerning *soft tissue sarcoma*, determined under subsection 196B(3) of the VEA, by:
   - Revising factor 6(i) for 'uterine sarcoma'; and
   - Adding a definition of 'being obese' in clause 9.

3. The Instrument specifies a date of effect for the Instrument in accordance with sub-section 12(1)(a) of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*.

4. Prior to determining this instrument, the Authority advertised its intention to undertake an investigation in relation to soft tissue sarcoma in the Government Notices Gazette of 14 November 2007, and circulated a copy of the notice of intention to investigate to a wide range of organisations representing veterans, service personnel and their dependants. The Authority invited submissions from the Repatriation Commission, organisations and persons referred to in section 196E of the VEA, and any person having expertise in the field. No submissions were received for consideration by the Authority during the investigation.

5. The determining of this new instrument finalises the investigation in relation to soft tissue sarcoma as advertised in the Government Notices Gazette of 14 November 2007.

6. A list of references relating to the above condition is available, on written request, from the Repatriation Medical Authority Secretariat.