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- [Defence: Working to a Plan to Defend our People, Interests and Values](#), Media Release, Minister for Defence, 2007-05-08
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 - [Counting the Costs of War](#), Brendan Nicholson, Age
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