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MEDIA RELEASE

LEGACY OFFERS SUPPORT TO FAMILY OF WEST AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN

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Legacy Australia extends its deepest sympathy to the family, friends, and colleagues of the Australian soldier who was tragically killed in Afghanistan overnight.

The 40 year old soldier from Perth who was serving on his seventh tour in Afghanistan, is the 33rd member of the Australian Defence Force to die in the war-torn country since 2002.

Legacy Australia Chairman, Charles Wright said "Legacy's thoughts are with the family of this soldier and his mates, and we stand ready to support his family during this difficult time. As it always has been, Legacy is here to support families who have lost love ones at war, and those who have returned home bearing the scars of conflict."

As Australia confronts the challenges of modern conflict, the organisation's role in the community has evolved with the times. While caring for families left behind has, and always will be Legacy's proud tradition, the reality of modern warfare brings with it new challenges.

Increasingly, soldiers return from tours afflicted by psychological conditions which leave them incapable of carrying out their own affairs. Legacy's role in the community has never been more important to the Australia defence community.

Legacy assists more than 100,000 widows and 1,900 children and people with a disability across Australia. The charity provides tailored welfare support for individual needs which includes assistance with medical support, financial assistance, advocacy and education.

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