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Subject: LOAD CARRIAGE INCIDENT HIGH RANGE TRAINING AREA,
TOWNSVILLE, QUEENSLAND
Comment:
Group: ARMY

Load Carriage Incident High Range Training Area, Townsville, Queensland

NATURE OF THE INCIDENT:

- An M777 artillery piece was being airlifted by a CH47 Chinook during an exercise in the High Range Training Area Townsville when the load became unstable.
- After checking that the ground was clear, the aircrew detached the M777, causing it to fall approximately 6 metres to the ground.
- No personnel were injured as a result of this incident.

THE DATE AND TIME OF THE INCIDENT:

- The incident occurred in the afternoon of 20 May 2013.

ACTIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY:

- The incident is currently subject to an investigation.

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