

Hot Issue Brief Tracking System

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Subject: AMMUNITION SUSPECTED MISSING
Group: ARMY

NATURE OF THE INCIDENT:

- Three boxes of mortar ammunition, each containing three 81mm illumination mortar rounds, are believed to have fallen from the back of an Army truck along the Dotswood Mingela Road, west of Townsville.
- Two boxes were recovered, the third is suspected missing.
- The truck was one of four in a convoy involved in the distribution of stores and ammunition as part of a larger exercise.

THE DATE AND TIME OF THE INCIDENT:

- The incident occurred at approximately 0900 on 16 Jun 14.

ACTIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY:

- Despite a thorough search of the area involving personnel on foot, in vehicles, and aerial assets, the ammunition is still suspected missing.
- Army is working with the Queensland Police Service to resolve this matter.
- The Australian Defence Force Investigative Service have been informed.

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