

**THIS YEAR'S DEPARTURE  
FROM AFGHANISTAN OF  
AUSTRALIA'S SPECIAL  
OPERATIONS TASK  
GROUP WILL END AN  
UNPRECEDENTED  
15 YEARS OF COMBAT  
FOR OUR MOST ELITE  
SOLDIERS.  
WHILE THE GUNS  
ARE CEASING FIRE,  
FOR MANY, THE REAL  
CONFLICT IS ONLY  
JUST BEGINNING.**

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