

Dear Tour Operators,

The Anzac Day Dawn Service at Gallipoli remains one of Australia's and New Zealand's most significant commemorative events each year and plans are well underway for the service to be held in 2019. Our commitment to maintaining a very close and productive working relationship with the Turkish Government in providing a solemn and dignified Dawn Service at Gallipoli will continue.

You are invited to attend a joint Australian and New Zealand briefing on 20 April 2019 at 10:00am to be held at Hilton Bosphorus Hotel where you will receive an update on this year's program for the Anzac Day services at Gallipoli.

At the time of writing this letter, there are no known security concerns that will prevent the Services on 25 April 2019 from being held. The Australian Department of Veterans' Affairs relies on the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade for their expert opinion with regards to the security situation in Turkey and you should direct your customers to visit the Smart Traveller website so they may make their own informed decision (https://smartraveller.gov.au/).

Information about the commemorations will be routinely updated on the Department of Veterans' Affair's website www.dva.gov.au and we invite you to access this site in the first instance for information about the services.

Yours Sincerely

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