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GALLIPOLI 2015 BALLOT TO OPEN IN MID NOVEMBER

Australians planning to attend Anzac Day commemorations at Gallipoli in 2015 to mark the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli landings can apply for the ballot planned to open in mid November, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister on the Centenary of ANZAC Senator the Hon. Michael Ronaldson announced today.

"The former Labor government had nominated 1 November as the opening date. As the responsible Minister, I was not satisfied that the appropriate level of rigorous ballot system testing had been carried out to ensure easy access for those many thousands of Australians who will seek tickets to Gallipoli in the categories, announced by the former Government."

Minister Ronaldson said the fair, open and transparent ballot will open soon and close at midnight, 31 January 2014 – allowing plenty of time for interested Australians to apply.

"My first priority was to ensure that the Department was, as far as possible, fully prepared before the ballot opened."

For more information on the ballot visit www.gallipoli2015.dva.gov.au

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