



MEDIA ALERT

90,000 Visitors for Holiday Period

The Australian War Memorial today welcomed the 90,000th visitors since Boxing Day at approximately 12pm today.

US Navy recruit, John Holmes is in Australia on leave after completing a tour of duty in Iraq. With his girlfriend Noortje Denissen from Oisterwyk Holland, they are spending two weeks in Australia, with two days in Canberra.

Mr Homes and Ms Denissen were most looking forward to “the large technology objects at the Memorial. We have been told so much about them.”

Visitors have used the holiday period as an opportunity to see *Advancing to Victory 1918* before it closes on 11 February, and the new First World War aircraft exhibition *Over the front: the Great War in the air*.

Over the front: the Great War in the air features five rare First World War aircraft and a dramatic short film produced by internationally acclaimed Director Peter Jackson .

The Memorial had 84,916 visitors between Boxing Day 2008 and Australia Day 2009.

The Memorial had 83,919 visitors between Boxing Day 2007 and Australian Day 2008.

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