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Veterans' mental health and suicide prevention – Key tasks and timeframes

	Task	Lead/s	Role	Due
	Overall Lead/s			
1.	s42 [REDACTED]	s42 [REDACTED]	s42 [REDACTED]	18 Dec 2019
2.	Meta-Analysis / Review: Immediately commence work on an independent, one-off review and analysis of state and territory coronial files that would identify systemic trends in, and contributing factors to, relevant suicides with a particular focus on the impact of military service and veterans' experience.	DVA lead - In support for Defence Lead: CJH and s47F [REDACTED] - IGADF input	Draft initial scoping paper for MINSUB. IGADF (s47F [REDACTED] and s4 [REDACTED]) – interrogate IGADF information for input to DVA.	20 Dec 2019
3.	PC and more focus (vets) suicide: 3a. Urgently progress existing efforts to address veterans suicide, including through your response to the Productivity Commission report <i>A Better Way to Support Veterans</i> . This should incorporate advice received from the National Suicide Prevention Adviser, s4 [REDACTED], and utilise existing inter-departmental committees s47F [REDACTED]	3a. DVA - In support for Defence lead: CJH	CJHLTH icw DVA to develop a roadmap to demonstrate transition to combined Defence and DVA Mental Health Strategy, to align with advice from the National Suicide Prevention Adviser, s4 [REDACTED], s47F [REDACTED]	

	<p>on the Productivity Commission report and on suicide prevention to ensure an integrated, whole-of-government approach.</p> <p>Finally, in addition to work underway, I ask that you provide advice on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3b. Creating a formal advisory body to provide Government with a more direct and influential line of sight of veterans' mental health issues (for example, refreshing the Prime Ministerial Advisory Council on Veterans' Mental Health when the terms of its members expire); - 3c. Assessing current supports for veterans and their families, including families impacted by suicide, and whether the Open Arms – Veterans and Family Counselling service could be expanded or a new support service should be established to better support families impacted by suicide; and - 3d. Exploring ways the service of veterans who have died by suicide can be better recognised (for example, a memorial or garden as part of the War Memorial expansion, and/or certificate of service or commemorative pin for families. <p>- 3e. A proposal for a Veterans Family Advocate.</p>	<p>3b-c. DVA</p> <p>3d. AWM Sub-committee lead</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Defence rep – HPC - DVA rep – s47F <p>Council for Honouring Women and Families United by Defence Service</p> <p>3e. DVA</p>	<p>AWM Sub-committee to develop installation commemorating war and service</p>	<p>TBA</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>4a. Minsub and placemat (outlining plan and timeframes)</p> <p>4b. 2020-21 Budget submission</p>	<p>4a and 4b. DVA lead</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In support for Defence Tiger Team (below) 	<p>MINSUB: To provide broad proposal and support briefing to Ministers</p>	<p>4a. 20 Dec 2019 (interim advice by 18 Dec 2019 if required)</p> <p>4b. mid-Jan 2020</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In line with Budget Cycle: PBS due to DoF <u>17 Jan.</u> - Look at past examples (i.e. DART and AMC) - Consider range of need within policy (linked to Defence legal scoping paper, etc.) 	<p>DFG s47F</p>	<p>Costings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Look at DART costings - Look at the Australian Military Corp model (over 10 years ago) 	<p>asap</p>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Early engagement with DoF (so no surprises) - Consider costs for AGD, i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ASL - IT - Contractors (legal support) - Seek ASL/Finance offset exemption (to be provided in Budget Submission) 	
6.	Communications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interim communications plan (door stop discussion), does not mention model. - Budget submission and announcement comms plan. 	DPG Communications team s47E(c)	As per task section.	

Defence Team:

- A/FAS (s47F) with JHC support from s47F
- HDL (s47E(c))
- DPG (s47F) with support from A/CoS DEPSEC DP s47E(c)
- DFG (s47F)
- Comms (s47E(c))

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From: s47E(c)
Sent: Monday, 16 December 2019 9:21 AM
To: s47E(c)
Subject: 191216 0920 - s47E(c)]- [s47E(c)] s42

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Hi s47E(c), some useful points to flow through to the scoping paper.

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Cc: s @defence.gov.au; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au
Subject: FW: s42 []

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kind regards

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Sent: Friday, 13 December 2019 3:48 PM
To: s47E(c) @defence.gov.au; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au
Subject: FW: s42 []

Hi s47E(and s47E(

s42 s42 s42 if you need any assistance from our office.

Thanks

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e: s47F [@defence.gov.au](mailto: @defence.gov.au)

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To: s47F [@defence.gov.au](mailto: @defence.gov.au)
Cc: s47F [@ag.gov.au](mailto: @ag.gov.au)
Subject: FW: s42

Hi s47F

Apologies for the delay in responding - we have had some issues with emails whilst overseas and after speaking with s47F I realised my last email to you did not get through.

Following our meeting I obtained the advice s42

As set out below, s42

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could the relevant DVA officer reach out to s47F or s47F to arrange a time to discuss.

Kind regards
s47F

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From: s47F [@ag.gov.au](mailto: @ag.gov.au)
Date: Thursday, 12 Dec 2019, 3:06 am
To: s47F [@ag.gov.au](mailto: @ag.gov.au)
Cc: s [@ag.gov.au](mailto: @ag.gov.au)
Subject: s42

Hello s47F

As discussed, we provided departmental views to the Department of Veterans' Affairs about s42

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We also identified the need to obtain early legal advice on a number of issues to s42

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We are happy to continue to assist Defence/DVA; if it would be useful we could meet to discuss how a request for advice on the issues we've identified could be framed. I've copied this to s47F as that engagement would s42

Please let me know if you would like anything further.

Kind regards

s47F

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T: s47F M: s47F E: s47F @ag.gov.au

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Sent: Monday, 16 December 2019 12:54 PM
To: s47F
Cc: s47E(c); Defence Legal - DELS - Directorate of External Legal Services; OCL; s47E(c) s47E(c)
Subject: 191216 1254 - [s47F] - [s47F] Background documentation for tomorrow's 'Inquiry' meeting
Attachments: 191203 MS19-002407 MINDEF and MINVDP signed.pdf; FW: s42 [redacted]
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[redacted]
Hi s47F

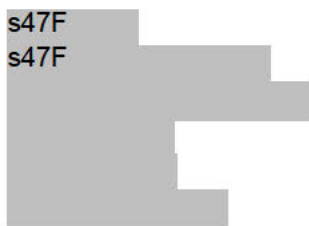
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I will work up the paper work now and have it cleared through the normal channels

Cheers

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Sent: Monday, 16 December 2019 11:50 AM
To: s47F [redacted]@defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) [redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Cc: DGADFLS Incoming outgoing mail s42 [redacted]
Subject: FW: Background documentation for tomorrow's 'Inquiry' meeting [redacted]

FYI – the PM has agreed to move forward with a s42 [redacted]

s47E is working on a scoping paper.

Cheers

s47 [redacted]

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To: s47E(c) [redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Cc: s47F [redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Background documentation for tomorrow's 'Inquiry' meeting [redacted]

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Cc: s47E(c) [redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Subject: Background documentation for tomorrow's 'Inquiry' meeting [redacted]

Good afternoon everyone

Please find attached background documentation to assist with tomorrow's meeting.

Many thanks

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Sent: Monday, 16 December 2019 1:38 PM
To: s47E(c)
Cc: s47E(c)
Subject: 191216 1337 - [s47F] - [s47E(c)] s42
Attachments: FW: Background documentation for tomorrow's 'Inquiry' meeting
[redacted] s42

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Hi s47E(c)

s42 I have already emailed s47F

Cheers

s47F
[redacted]

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Sent: Tuesday, 17 December 2019 1:52 PM
To: s47F
Cc: s47E(c)
Subject: 191217 1352 - [s47F] - [s47F] - [s42]

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Many thanks s47F

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Cc: s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>
Subject: RE: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Thanks s47F, s47F and s47F will be working on this matter and will prepare some initial advice for you. I have passed on to s47 some of the observations and background s47F gave me yesterday.

Regards

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To: s47F @ags.gov.au>
Subject: FW: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi s47F

This is a first cut of s42 that s47E(c) did yesterday and we have now sent it to DVA for consideration.

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s47F @dva.gov.au>
Cc: s47F @defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>
Subject: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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s47F, can you please have a look by 1500 tomorrow? We would like to send this to DEPSEC DP by Wednesday.

Cheers

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Cc: s47F s47E(c) s47F
Subject: 191217 0902 - s47E(c) s42

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Hi s47E(c)

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s47F @dva.gov.au
Cc: s47F @defence.gov.au; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au
Subject: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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To: s47F
Cc: s47E(c) s47F
Subject: 191218 1731 - s47F s42

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Many thanks s47F

We will let you know most probably tomorrow .

s47F

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Cc: s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>; s47F @ags.gov.au>
Subject: RE: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear s47F

s42 Please don't hesitate to contact us if there are any questions or you would like to discuss.

Kind regards,

s47F
Counsel
Australian Government Solicitor
s47F
[@ags.gov.au](mailto:s47F@ags.gov.au)

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Cc: s47E(c) [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>; s47F [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Subject: RE: s42 [redacted] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi s47F [redacted]

s42 [redacted]

Cheers

s47E(c) [redacted]

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Cc: s [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Subject: RE: s42 [redacted] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Thanks s47F s42 [redacted]

Regards

s47F [redacted]

s47F [redacted]
Deputy Chief General Counsel
Australian Government Solicitor
s47F [redacted]

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To: s47F [redacted] <[redacted]@ags.gov.au>
Subject: FW: s42 [redacted] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi s47F [redacted]

This is a first cut of s42 [redacted] that s47E(c) [redacted] did yesterday and we have now sent it to DVA for consideration.

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s47F [redacted] <[redacted]@dva.gov.au>
Cc: s47F [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Subject: s42 [redacted] [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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s47F [redacted], s47E [redacted]

Please see attached s42 [redacted]. It needs a bit of work, especially in the next steps section, but could be a starting point. It should probably be a lot shorter also – it was hard stop once I started writing, s42 [redacted]

s47F [redacted], can you please have a look by 1500 tomorrow? We would like to send this to DEPSEC DP by Wednesday.

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s47E(c) [redacted]

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From: s47E(c)

Sent: Wednesday, 18 December 2019 7:17 PM

To: s47E(c)

Cc: s47E(c) s47F s47E(c)

Subject: RE: High level update re PM tasking - key actions and timeframes

[Redacted]

Hi s47E
 Thanks so much to you and your team. This is great work.

We need one piece of advice for the Ministers. We are drawing your draft MINSUB together with the primary one – we have started this tonight.

We will update the MINSUB again in the morning s42, and in turn get it back to you to review and to DVA.

Regards and thanks again s47E
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Sent: Wednesday, 18 December 2019 6:12 PM

To: s47E(c)

Cc: s47E(c) s47F ; s47E(c)

Subject: RE: High level update re PM tasking - key actions and timeframes [Redacted]

Importance: High

[Redacted]

Good evening s47E(c)

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s42

We have also developed a very rough standalone MINSUB on this matter. Let us know if you would like it as a stand-alone or if you would prefer for these matters to be part of the DVA MINSUB. I understand that s47F (CoS to Minister s47F thought it to be a good idea to have it as a standalone).

I thought it important to send this to you today so that you can see where we have landed.

s42

Regards,

s47E

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s47F [redacted] @defence.gov.au>

Subject: High level update re PM tasking - key actions and timeframes [redacted]

All,

Thank you for your time last Friday.

Following Friday's IDC on the broader PC response chaired by s47F [redacted] (copied in) and various discussions today with Assoc Sec, HDL, DVA and staff in the Minister's office, I wanted to give you a quick update on where we are at.

The Secretary has noted this is priority work and that resources are to be assigned accordingly. As such, s47F [redacted] will lead on bringing together Defence's input (thank you s47E [redacted] and s47F [redacted]). I will continue to oversee this work while I am in the office this week, and when I return on 21 Jan. s47F [redacted] will work closely with s47F [redacted] as DPG's main POC during the January period. s47 [redacted], I will discuss with you as A/DEPSEC DP).

As you know, DVA is leading on the MINSUB due this Friday latest (ideally earlier), which will broadly respond to the work outlined in the PM's letter – it will be our proposed DVA/Defence plan for delivering. This is key to driving the direction of the CABSUB due mid Jan-2020.

Defence's key input to the MINSUB s42 [redacted], and I have discussed with s47F [redacted] and s47E [redacted] to help direct staff effort. A key input will be s42 [redacted], and importantly the s42 [redacted]

The attached table provides a quick overview of key tasks, timeframes and lead areas from the Defence end. I continue to work with s47F [redacted] on the specifics (ie DVA have their more specific tracking /troops to task) which we will input to with DVA having overall lead on the MINSUB.

A few additional points for you:

- s47F [redacted] – as discussed, we will advise where s42 [redacted]. The MINSUB will obviously need to go through SEC DVA, SEC Defence and A/CDF, so this will impact on timing.
- s47E [redacted] – we will need a strong piece in the MINSUB re sensitivities, s42 [redacted]

Please reach out early if there are any concerns or issues, and copy s47F [redacted].

Appreciate if this information is kept close hold, no forwarding.

Regards

s47E [redacted]
c)

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Subject: 191219 0844 - s47F]-[DVA FORTRESS - s47E(c)] s42
Attachments: Attachment A - Jurisdictional Issues - BR comments.docx; Attachment B - Process Interaction.docx; Attachment C - Work plan.docx; s42
 MS19-002590 - BR comments.docx

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Dear s47F

Many thanks for the opportunity to look over these. It is an impressive proposal!

I have marked up the docs with my views / comments. They are minimal as the package covers off on most of the issues. I think overall it looks pretty good and some of my initial comments were then addressed further into the doc package. The beauty of this approach is that it provides a transparent and fully independent mechanism for all interested parties.

s42

Happy to discuss or elaborate on any of the comments I have made.

Kind regards

s47F

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Cc: s47F [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>; DVA FORTRESS -s47F [redacted] <[redacted]@protected.dva.gov.au>; DVA FORTRESS -s47F [redacted] <[redacted].dva.gov.au>
Subject: FW: s42 [redacted]

[redacted]

Dear s47F

Thank you for agreeing to read s42 [redacted]

Attached to this email is a draft minsub and s42 [redacted].
I will separately send s42 [redacted].

Your input on practical issues and who might be relevant stakeholders to consult would be appreciated.

Turnaround time is very tight so if you can get back to me ASAP I would be grateful. The 'cc' addressees should also be copied in.

Kind regards
s47F [redacted]

From: s47F [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 18 December 2019 5:33 PM
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Subject: s42 [redacted]

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s47F [redacted]
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s42

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Hi s47E(c), input from IG-ADF below.

Cheers,
s47E,
(s)

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Subject: FW: URGENT - s42 [Redacted]
Importance: High

[Redacted]

Dear s47E,
(s)

Thank you for consulting with IGADF.

In addition to the suggested amendment below, IGADF makes the following observations s42
[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Warm regards

s47E(c)
[Redacted]

Deputy Inspector-General ADF
Office of the Inspector-General ADF
BP25-4-42 Brindabella Park
PO Box 7924 Canberra BC ACT 2610

s47E(c)

<http://drnet.defence.gov.au/AssociateSecretary/CDF/IGADF/Pages/welcome.aspx>

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Cc: s47E(c) [redacted] <[\[redacted\]@defence.gov.au](mailto:[redacted]@defence.gov.au)>, s47E(c) [redacted]

<[\[redacted\]@defence.gov.au](mailto:[redacted]@defence.gov.au)>

Subject: RE: URGENT - s42 [redacted]

Importance: High

HI s47E(c)

We have also inserted a more comprehensive section as follows. Let me know if you have any thoughts.

s42

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Subject: URGENT - s42
Importance: High

[Redacted]

Good morning s47E,
Hopefully you have been updated s42 and the associated meeting of last Friday 13 Dec at which Defence Legal was tasked s42. I note that staff from your team were at the meeting on 13 December (my apologies but I have been unable to confirm both their names despite a call to your office yesterday).

We would like to include mention of the role of the IGAD s42. Do you have any high level thoughts about what to include? We need this very shortly as I will be sending out our scoping paper later this morning.

s42

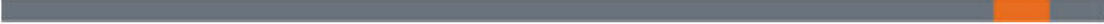
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Regards,
s47E

s47E(c)
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From: s47E(c)
Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2019 12:49 PM
To: s47F
Cc: s47L(c)
Subject: RE: Emailing: DRAFT s42
 s42

Attachments: s42

Categories: [Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Hi s47F
 As requested. s42
 Kind regards,
 s47E

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Cc: s47E(c) @defence.gov.au
Subject: RE: Emailing: DRAFT s42

[Redacted]

s47E, DVA have advised they now have s42. Can you provide me a copy please

Regards

s47F
 @defence.gov.au

EA: s47E(c) @defence.gov.au

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[redacted]@defence.gov.au; s47F [redacted]@defence.gov.au; s47E(c) [redacted]@defence.gov.au;
[redacted]@defence.gov.au

Subject: RE: Emailing: DRAFT [redacted] s42 [redacted]

Importance: High

Good morning s47E(c) (and s47F),

Please find updated s42 [redacted]

[redacted]

Let me know if you require anything further.

Kind regards,

s47E
(^)

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[redacted]@defence.gov.au; s47F [redacted]@defence.gov.au; s47E(c) [redacted]@defence.gov.au;
[redacted]@defence.gov.au

Subject: RE: Emailing: DRAFT [redacted] s42 [redacted]

s47E(c)

The attached is the next version of the Draft DVA MINSUB with Defence input. I understand you now have a window to review at 11.30am.

Also attached s42 [redacted]

s47E is still finalising the s42 but is expecting to have this shortly. She has advised she may also have some s42.

Regards

s47F @defence.gov.au

s47E(c) @defence.gov.au

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@defence.gov.au>; s47F @defence.gov.au>

Subject: FW: Emailing: DRAFT s42

Hi s47F

This evening s47F has drawn in the s42. Grateful if you can look at the whole brief - also add to the Mental Health part.

Thanks,
s47E(c)

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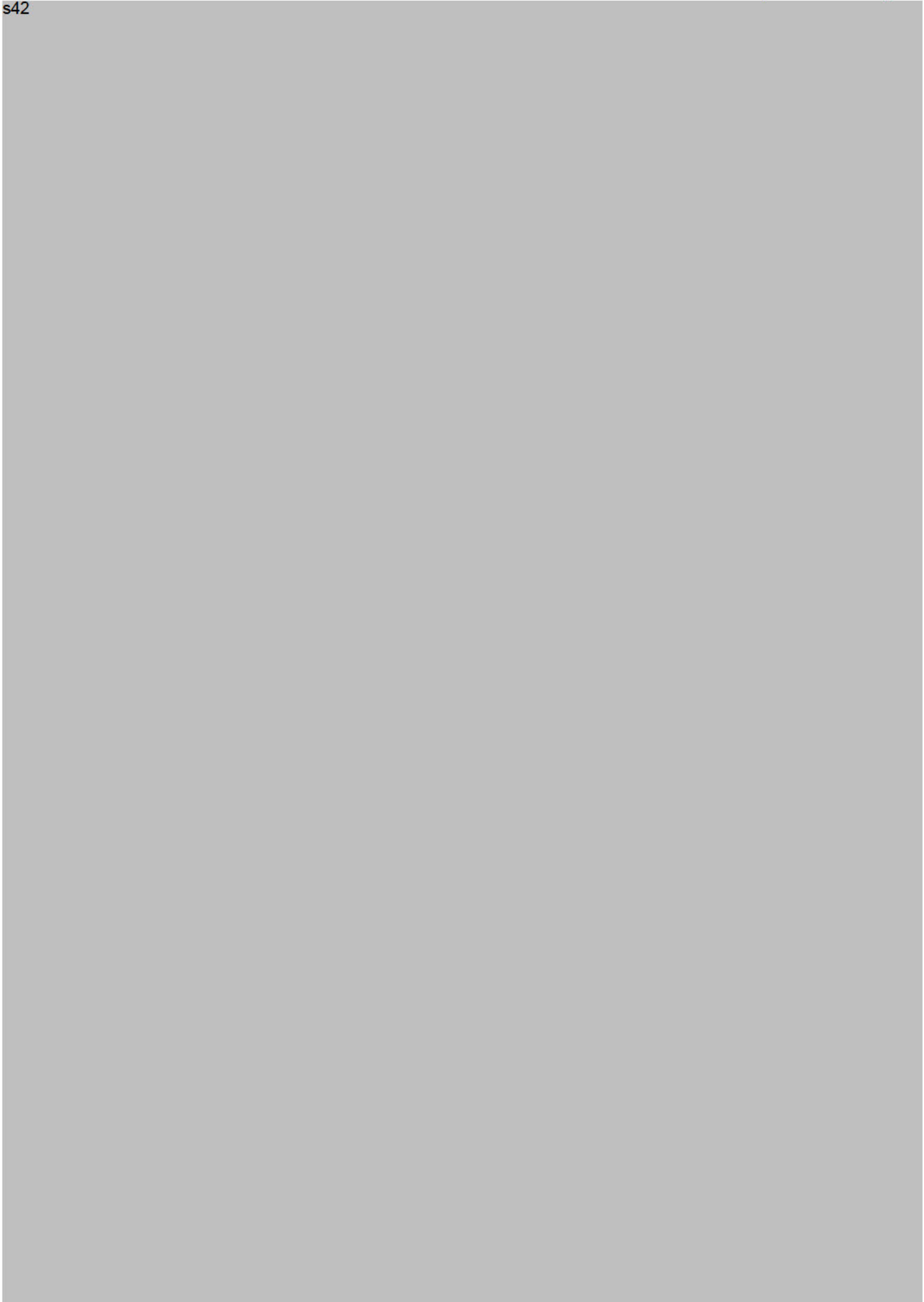
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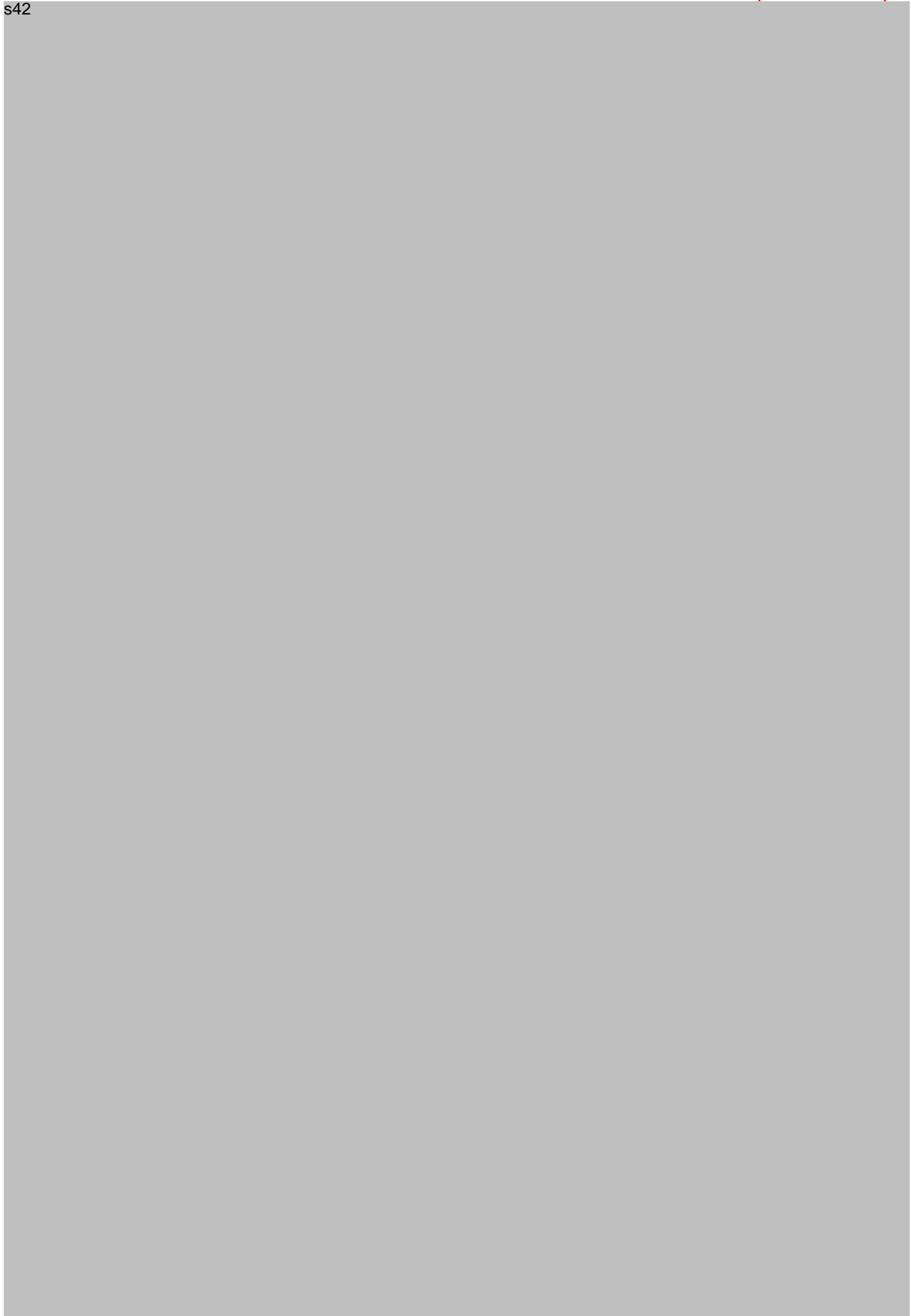
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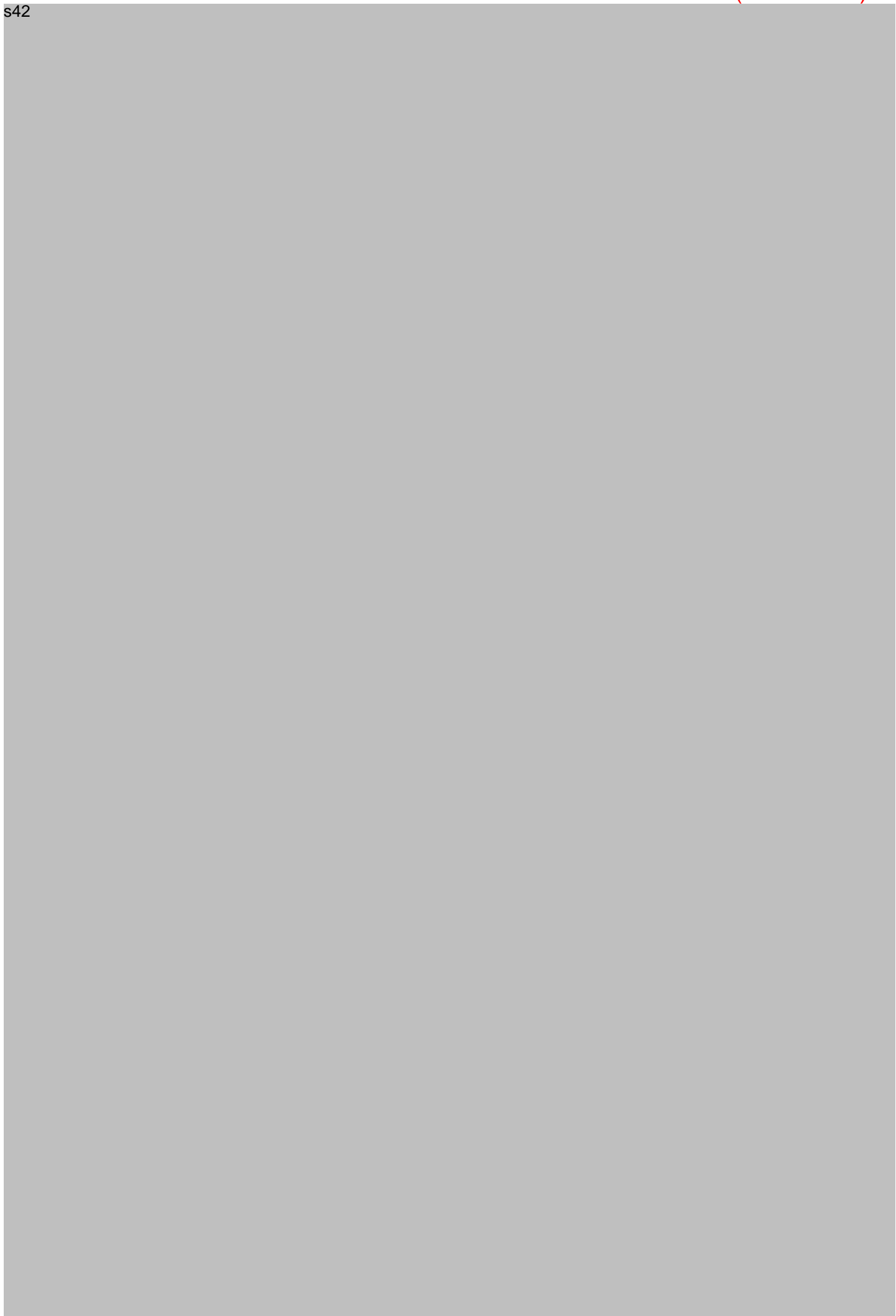
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From: s47E(c)

Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2019 1:54 PM

To: DVA FORTRESS - s47F ; DVA FORTRESS - s47E(c) ; s47E(c)

Cc: s47E(c) ; s47F @protected.dva.qv.au'; DVA FORTRESS - s47E(c)

Subject: RE: Draft joint ministerial submission and papers - PM tasking [REDACTED]

Attachments: s42 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Good afternoon s47E and s47F, please find attached Defence's input, including:

- edits to the joint minsub
- Attachment D s42
- penscript edits to the placement:
 - Change to title right hand top quadrant: *Improving mental health service and support for current and former serving members and their families*
 - Inserted a new bubble with the following points:
 - Current Defence initiatives:*
 - Evaluation of Defence Suicide Prevention Programs*
 - Implement Lived Experience Framework*

kind regards

s47E(c)

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Sent: Wednesday, 18 December 2019 12:45 PM

To: s47E(c) ; s47F

Cc: DVA FORTRESS - s47E(c) ; s47F @protected.dva.gv.au' ; DVA FORTRESS - s47E(c)

Subject: Draft joint ministerial submission and papers - PM tasking [REDACTED]

Importance: High

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Dear s47E(c) and s47F

s47E(c) has cleared the attached draft documents to be shared with you. These are very much first drafts (noting there's been some internal iterating to get things on paper) and subject to further development with your input.

The documents comprise:

- A draft joint min sub on PM tasking
- s42
- Draft placemats providing a visual representation of the PM's request/response actions

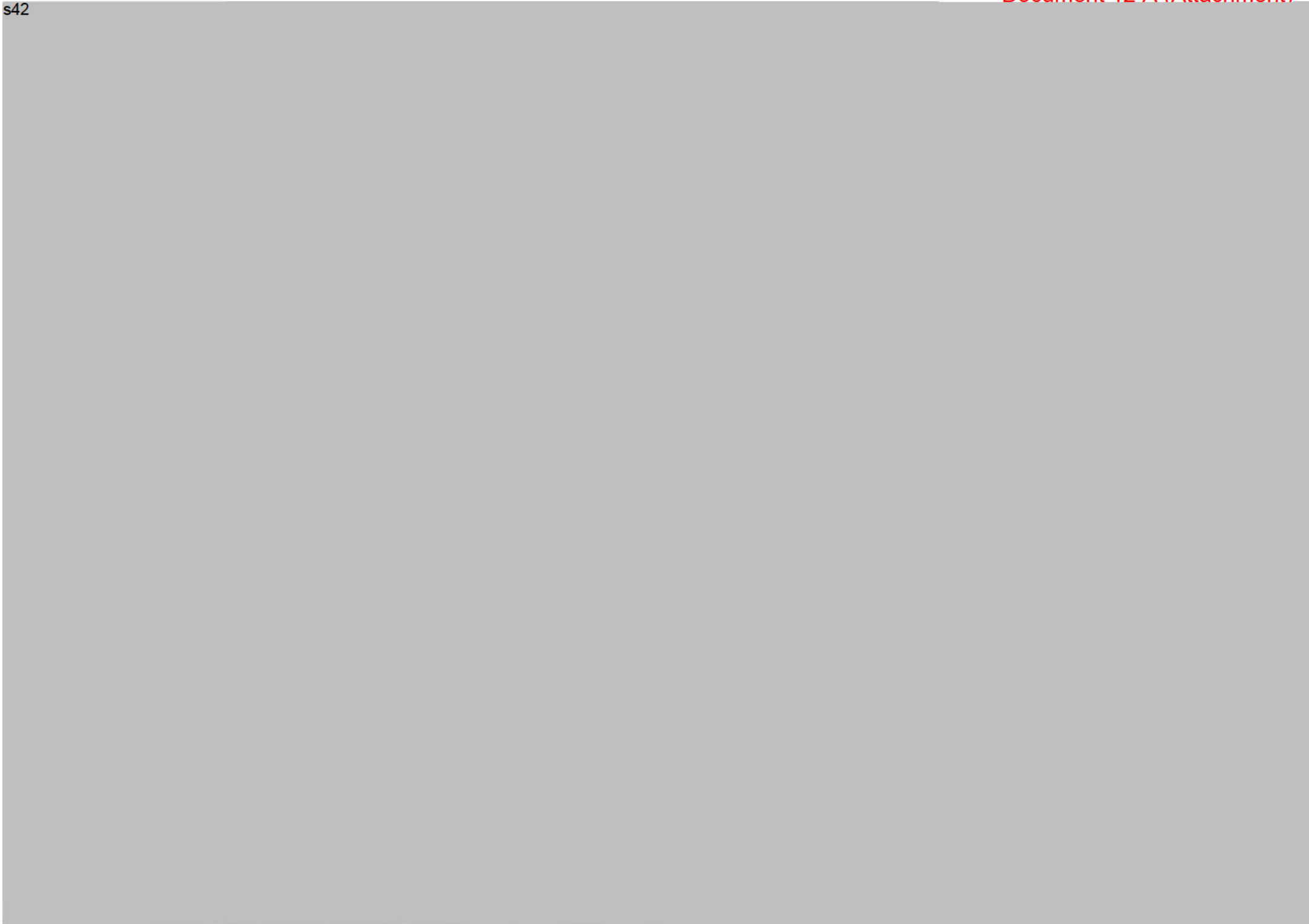
We welcome your thoughts and are very happy to discuss.

Kind regards

s47F

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Cc: s47E(c), s47F, s47E(c), s47E(c)
Subject: RE: Defence team supporting response to PMs - Military and Veterans Suicide Prevention Initiatives

Hi s47F

I have no planned leave and am available at all times (including stand down). Mobile number is s47E(c) (private). As of Monday 23, my desk phone will be s47E(c) (A/CoS to DEPSEC DP).

s47F will be on leave from 24 Dec and back on 6 Jan, however will be in Adelaide from 27 Dec to 2 Jan - s47F is on call for media duties over this period, so is contactable on s47E(c)

Many thanks

s47E(c)

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Cc: s47F @defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>
Subject: Defence team supporting response to PMs - Military and Veterans Suicide Prevention Initiatives

Hello s47F, s47E, s47F, s47 s47F and s47E(c)

I thought a brief email of introduction was appropriate as we have been appointed as the defence team to support and coordinate input with DVA to the PMs request to bring forward a range of proposal on suicide prevention

initiative. Some of you will know me and for those that do not, I am work within Joint Health Command and have responsibility for Health Policy, Programs and Assurance. Within that context I also have lead for the department on the Defence Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy and related mental health reform.

I am looking forward to working with you to deliver on the requirements of this body of work during January. It is likely to be a busy period so understanding the availability of each person during January will assist to better coordinate our efforts. So could you please let me know by email what date you are planning to return to work in January and can I also have a mobile number for any urgent contact that may be necessary as of 2 January.

As an update, the first deliverable is well on track with DVA having provided Defence with a draft copy of the MINSUB due to be finalised by tomorrow, 20 Dec. Today the Defence comments, amendments and advice has been returned to DVA. Thank you to each of you who have assisted with this input.

When you advise me of availability I will organsie for a brief telecon or face to face in early Jan to ensure we have taskings aligned and coordinated.

In the meanitime please feel free to contact me at anytime. I will be in the office up to cob 23 Dec and returning on 2 January.

Regards

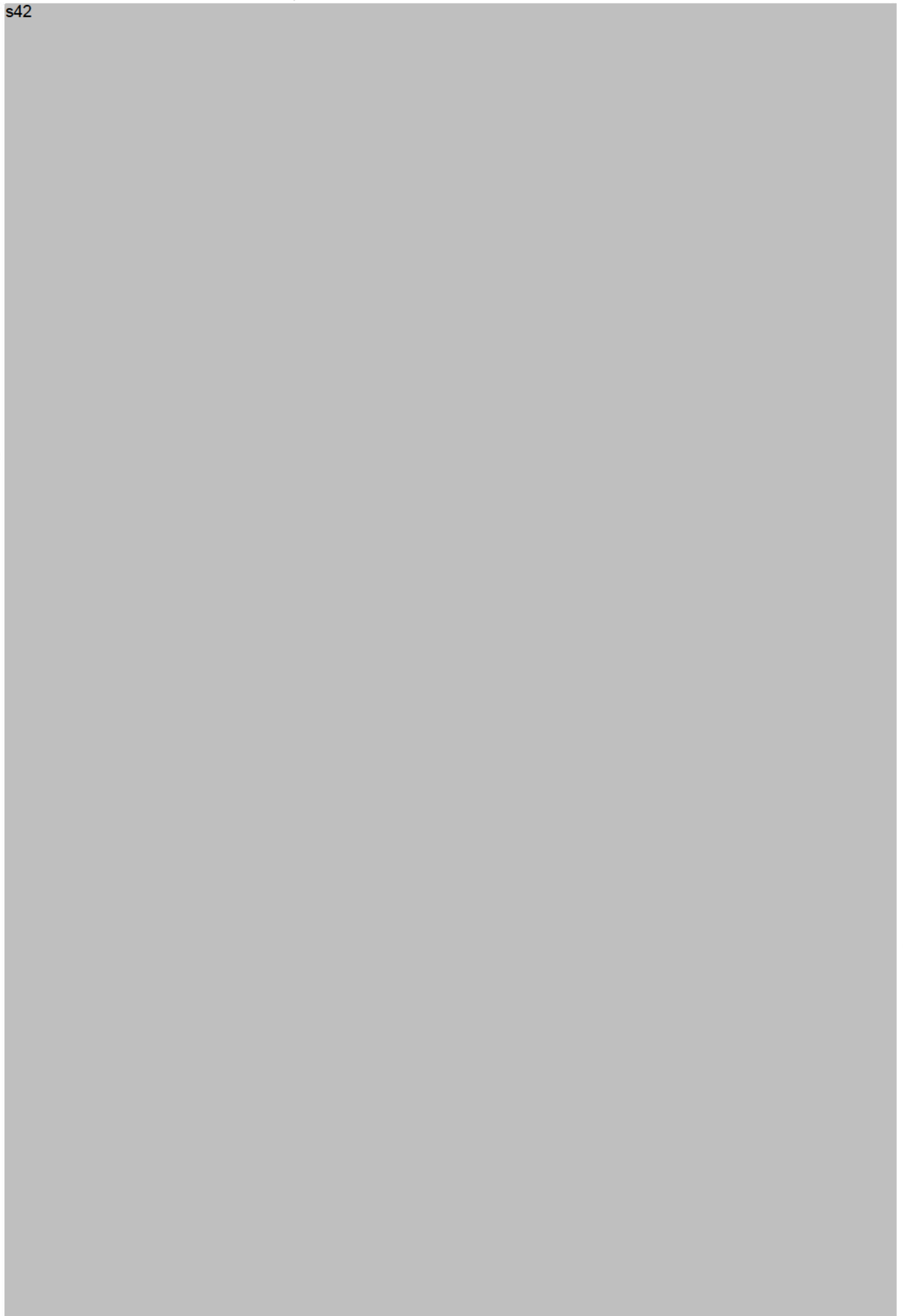
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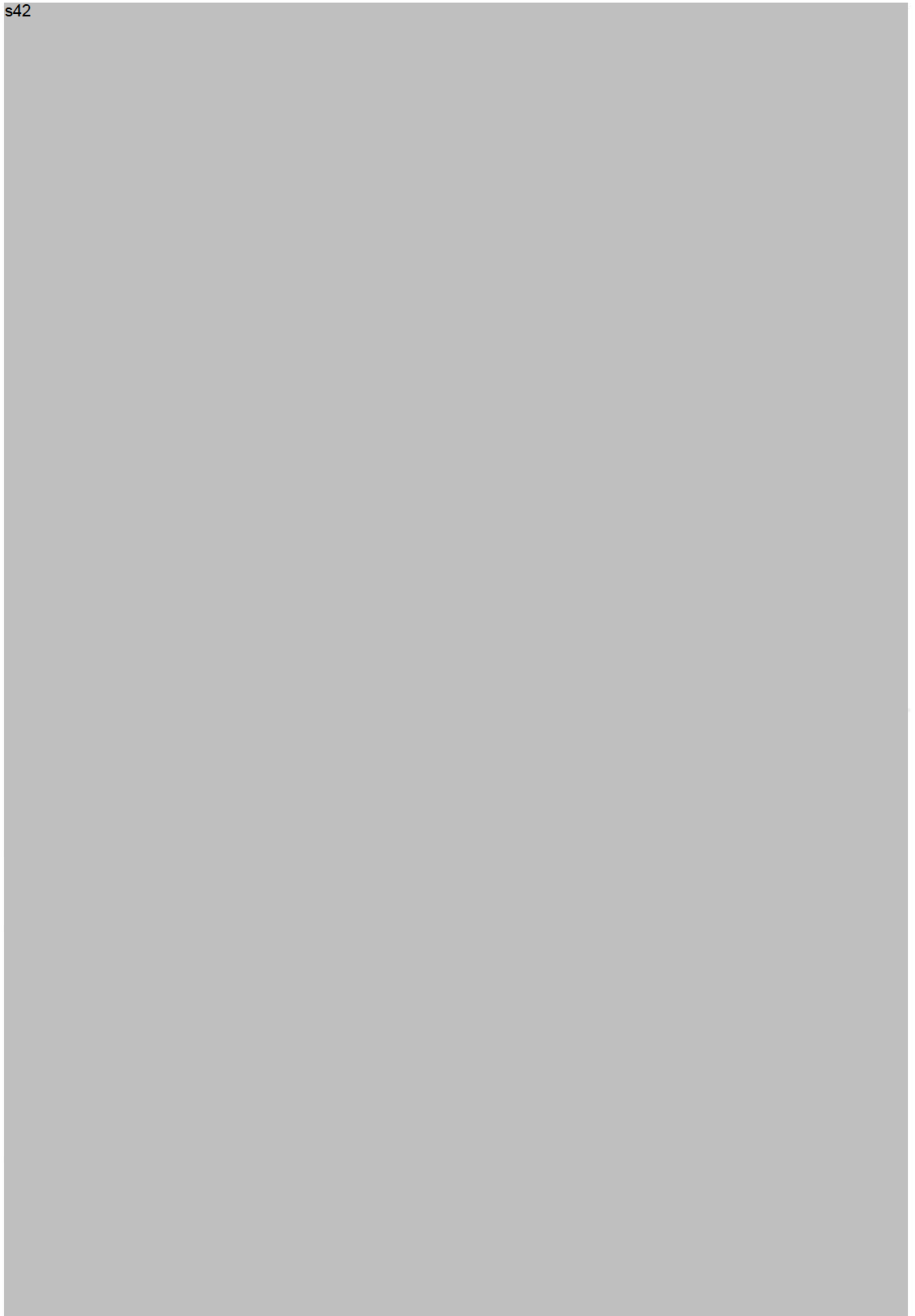
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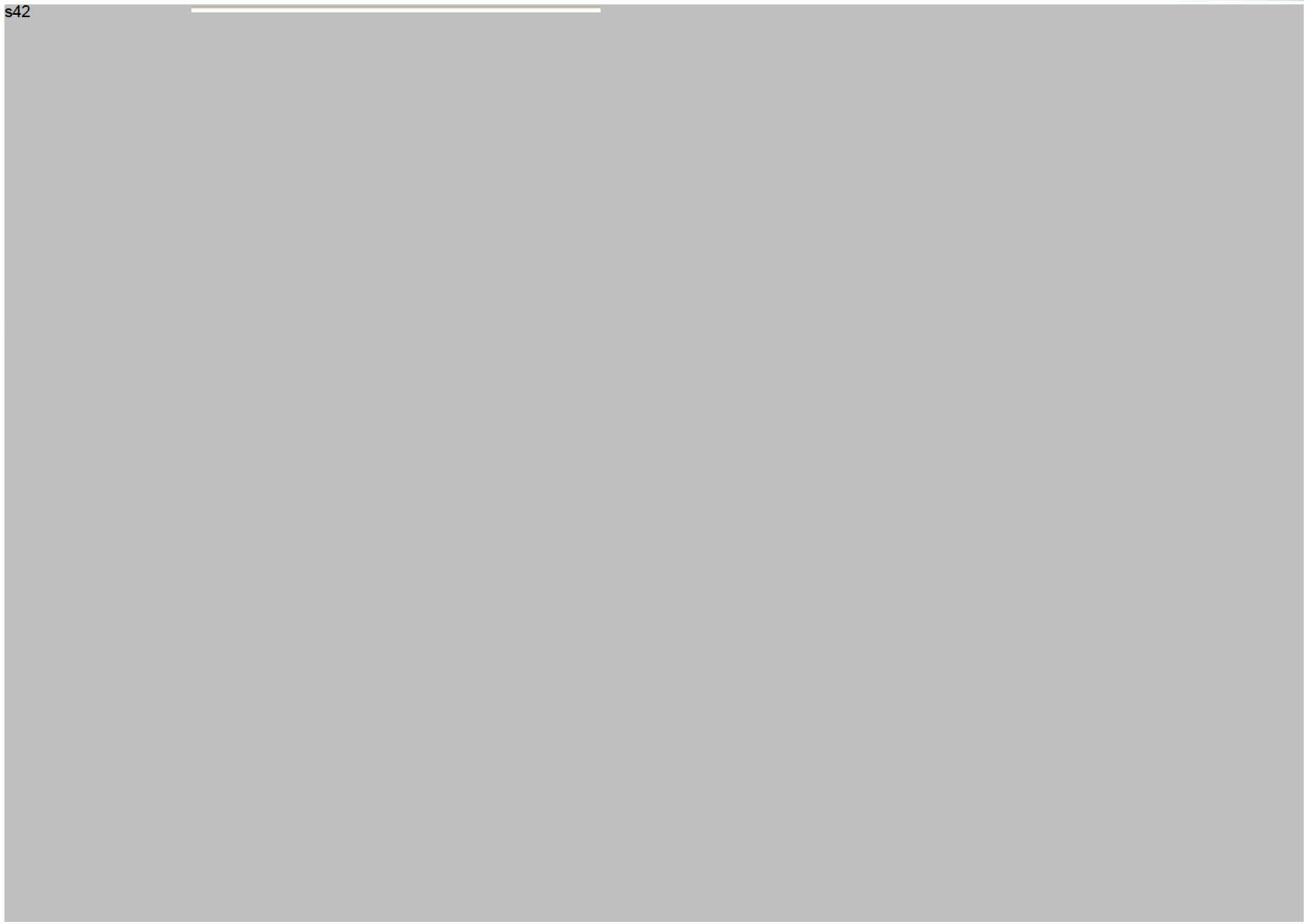
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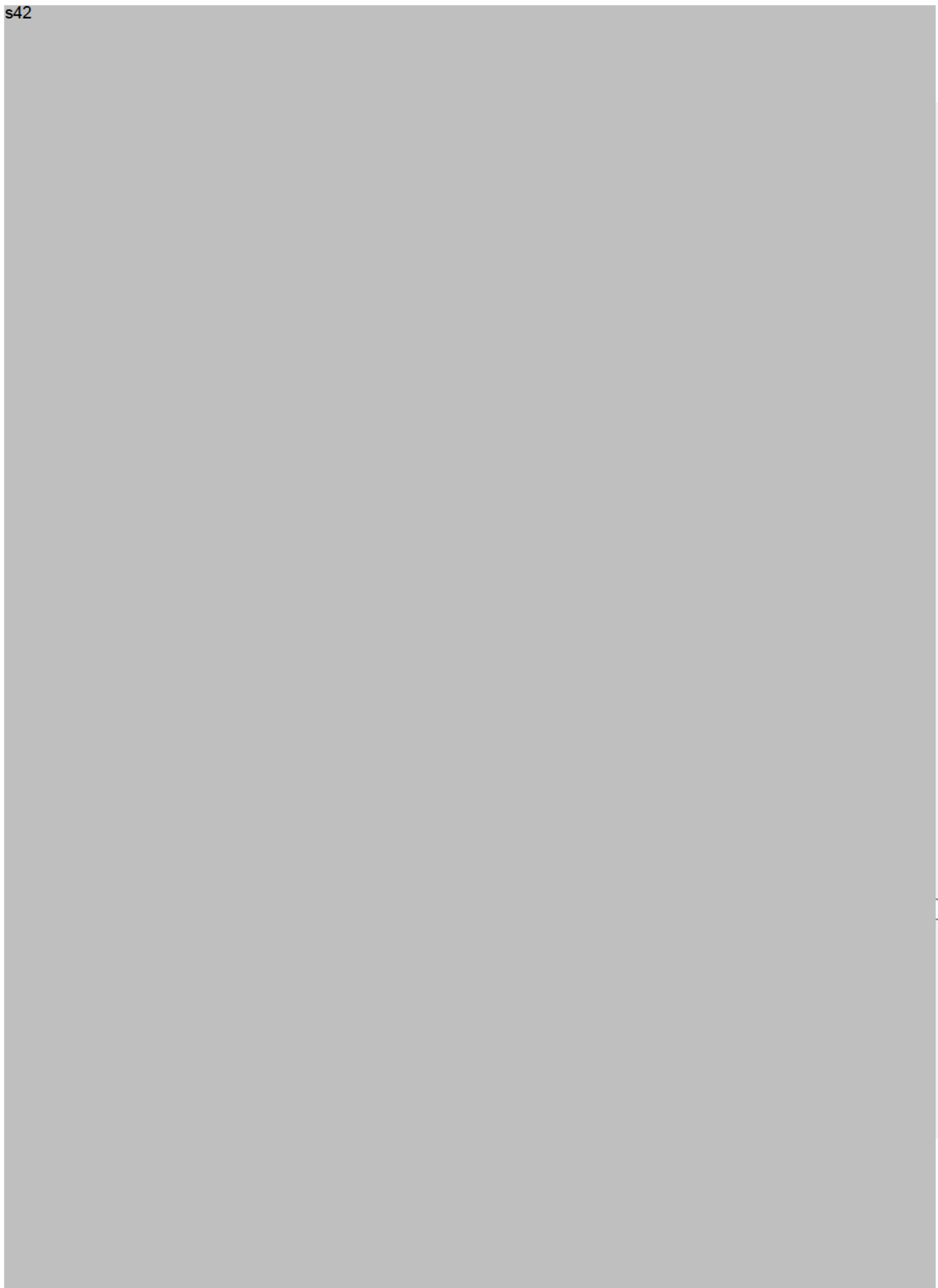








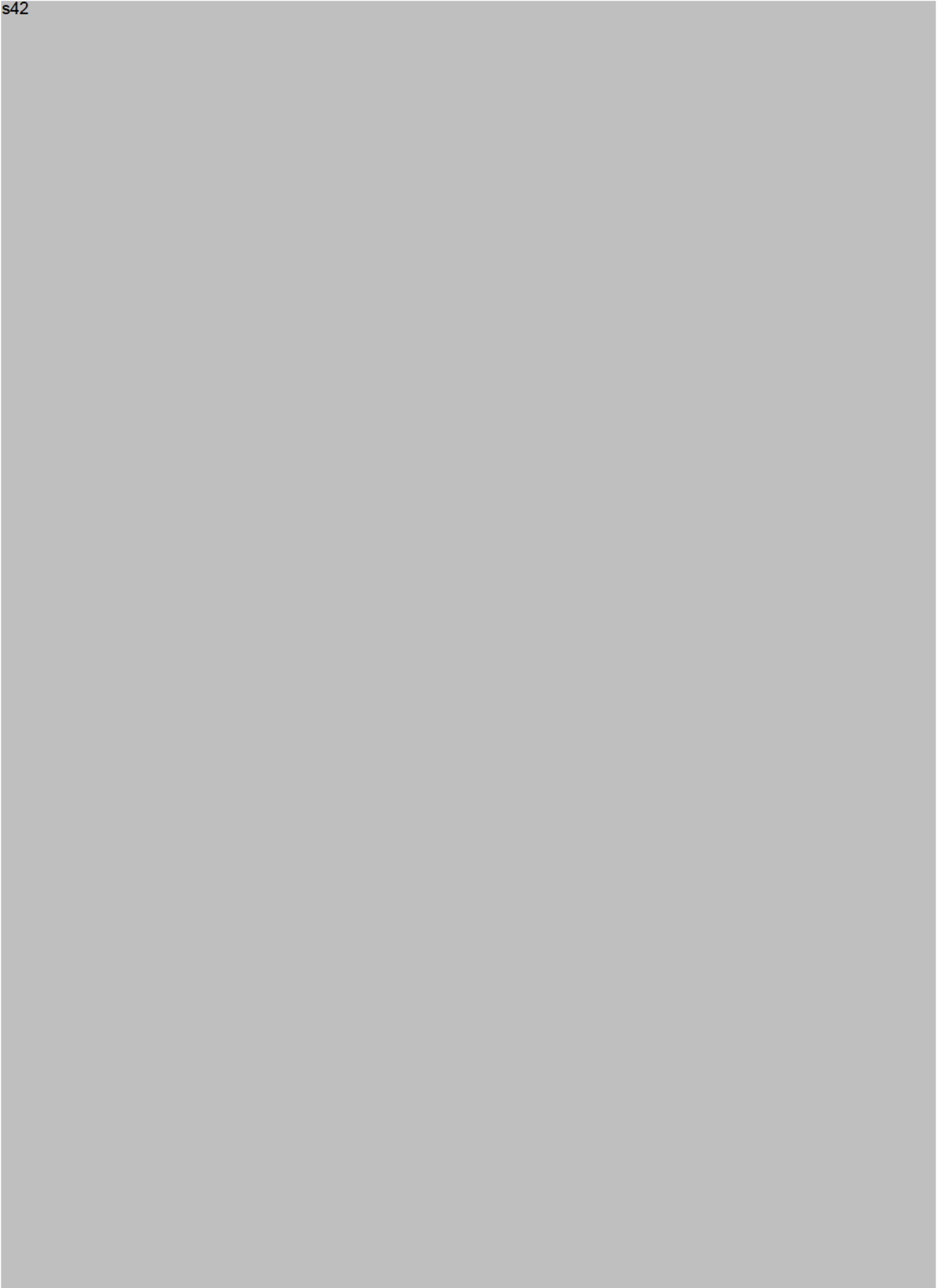








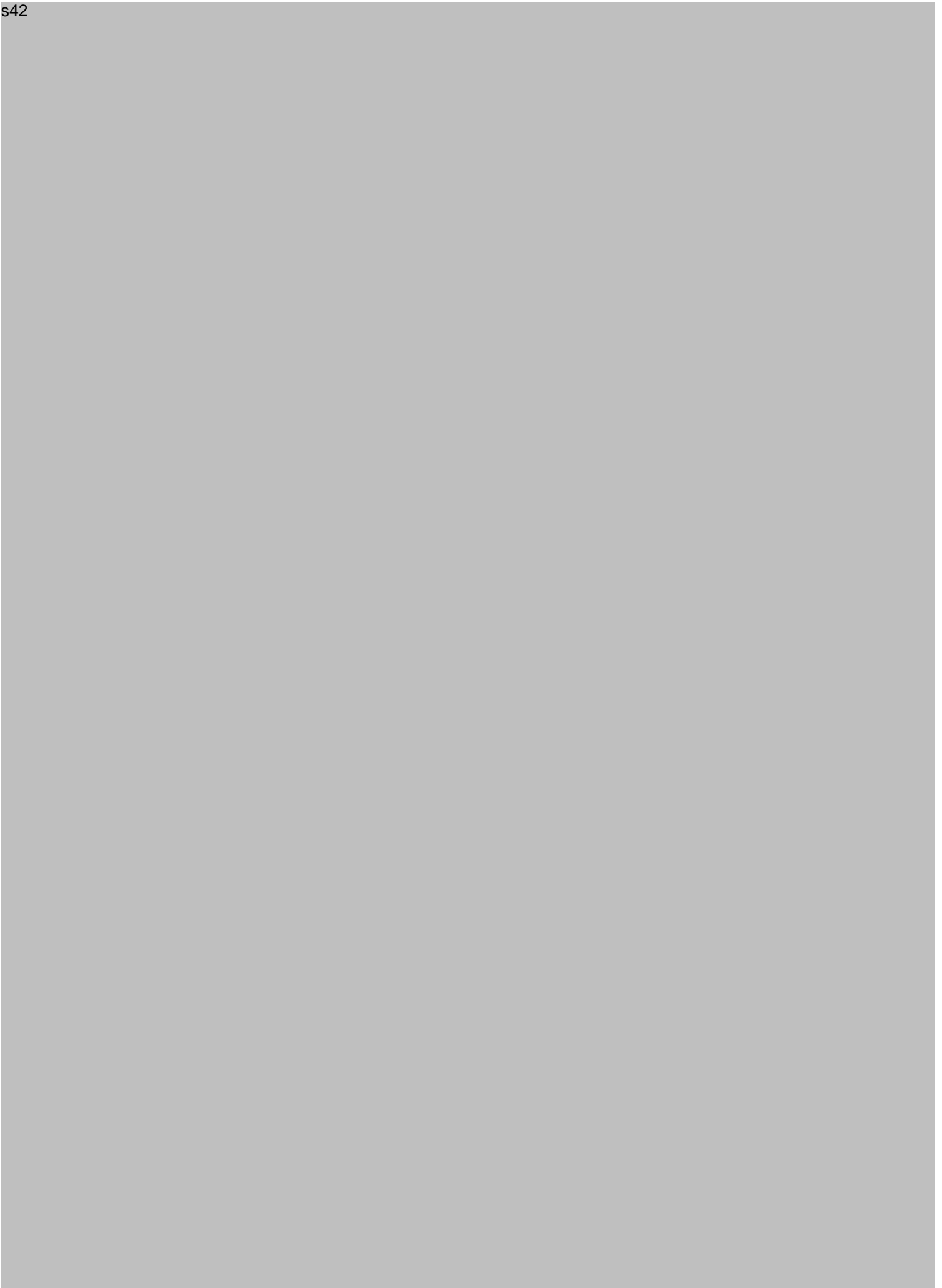












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Sent: Friday, 20 December 2019 6:34 PM

To: s47F s47E(c)

Cc: s47F ; s47E(c) s47E(c)

Subject: RE: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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s47F s42

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Regards

s47F

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@defence.gov.au

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Subject: RE: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Regards

s47F
s4 / r @defence.gov.au

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@defence.gov.au>; s47E(c) @defence.gov.au>
Subject: RE: s42 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Also I have spoken with s47F and asked if he could work with s47E(to now s42 . He will do thin on Monday.

Regards

s47F @defence.gov.au

EA: s47E(c) @defence.gov.au

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s47E(c) [redacted] <[redacted]@defence.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Defence team SP Initiatives -Tasks for today's meeting - [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Thanks, s47E!

I'll collate all the feedback received and provide it to s47E(for her consideration.

I'm sorry to hassle you, s42

s47E(has a meeting with Secretary shortly and we were hoping to have s42 to inform that meeting. Even if you're able to provide what you've got so far would be much appreciated.

Cheers,
s47

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Many thanks s47
s42
Kind regards,
s47E

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Good afternoon all,

Thanks for your time this morning.

Please find attached the revised talking points for your review – material for an announcement as well as contingency TPs/holding statement for use over the break if a decision is not made.

As you'll see in the comments, I'd appreciate your advice on how many of the new initiatives we want to go into.

Please feel free to edit, change and comment as much as required.

I apologise for the tight turnaround, but if possible it would be great to get your feedback by 1430 this afternoon. This will allow time for s47E(c) to review the draft material today before she goes on leave and hand over to s47.

Following your initial feedback and s47E(c) review, I'll make further edits and provide a revised draft for your consideration.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks,
s47

s47E(c)

[Redacted signature block]

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Folks, thanks for getting together this morning. This was quick gathering to address immediate task and set up arrangements for ongoing coordination post the stand down.

A few tasks due today

1. s47E and s47E(c) - s42 [Redacted]
2. s47 - prepare next draft of Comms material TPs – PM announcement and a holding statement. We want to provide s47E(c) and s47 chance to see these before stand down.
3. s47E(c) – speak with s47F re s42 [Redacted]
4. s47F - to liaise with DVA and s42 [Redacted] . (In progress – s47F [Redacted] will provide update this afternoon)

5. s47E(– to send calendar invitation for 7 Jan IDC legal meeting (completed)
6. s47E(- to update Task planner for calculation and set up times for daily meetings of the team from 24 Dec. (completed)

Hope I remembered everything. If not don't hesitate to remind.

Regards

s47F

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EA: s47E(c)

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From: s47F
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To: DVA FORTRESS - s47F
Cc: s47E(c); s47F
Subject: s42
Attachments:



Hi s47F,

I mentioned this morning that s47E(c) from Defence Legal s42

Happy to discuss.

Regards

s47F

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EA: s47E(c) [@defence.gov.au](mailto:s47E(c)@defence.gov.au)

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Cc: s47F s47E(c)
Subject: s42

[Redacted]

Hi s47F

I met you earlier this year over lunch a finance workshop – hope you are well.

I am wondering if we could talk as early as possible in the new year about the PM’s request s42

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

I’ve copied in legal systems team, as well as my Defence colleagues.

Look forward to chatting in the new year.

Regards

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