

*Commemorating the end of the Second World War*

# REMEMBRANCE DAY

11 NOVEMBER 2020

ON THE MORNING OF 15 AUGUST 1945, RAAF MEN AND SOLDIERS CROWDED AROUND A RADIO ON LABUAN ISLAND, NORTH BORNEO, TO HEAR OFFICIAL WORD OF JAPAN'S SURRENDER AND THE END OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR. ALMOST A MILLION AUSTRALIANS HAD SERVED IN UNIFORM DURING THE WAR, IN CAMPAIGNS IN EUROPE, THE ATLANTIC, THE MEDITERRANEAN, THE MIDDLE EAST, NORTH AFRICA, ASIA AND THE PACIFIC. SOME 39,000 HAD LOST THEIR LIVES AND MORE THAN 30,000 HAD BEEN PRISONERS OF WAR.



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