MEDIA STATEMENT

Dig Hill 80 Project Update

Dig Hill 80 is a crowd sourced project excavating a well-preserved German strong point at a ridge top known as 'Hill 80' near the village of Wijtschate in Belgium. The project began in April 2018 and is run by a team of archaeologists, military historians and volunteers.

The project team have found and recovered war casualty human remains during their excavations; they have informed the appropriate authorities who are responsible for attempting to identify the casualties and they will be reburied with dignity and honour in due course. If it can be determined that any of the casualties served with the Commonwealth forces they will be reburied in a Commonwealth War Graves Commission cemetery alongside their comrades, close to where they fell.

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Notes for editors:

1. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (www.cwgc.org)

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