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This year marks the 100th anniversary of the landings at Gallipoli and on Saturday 25 April 2015, the Australian and New Zealand High Commissions will host the ANZAC Day Commemorative Dawn Service, at the Tugu Negara (National Monument), Lake Gardens, Kuala Lumpur.

ANZAC Day marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. On 25 April 1915, Australian and New Zealand troops landed on the shores of Gallipoli, and alongside other British Commonwealth and French troops, began an ultimately futile seven month campaign against Ottoman forces. The sacrifices of the Gallipoli campaign forged an enduring bond between the people of Australia and New Zealand that remains to this day.

It has become customary each year, on the 25 April, for the people of both nations to commemorate those who served in all wars and conflicts - and recognise the contribution made by all personnel who have or are serving in the armed forces of Australia and New Zealand.

The Dawn Service is open to all members of the public and those attending are requested to be assembled by 6.00 am for the service to commence at 6.30 am. Dress for the occasion will be lounge suit or smart casual for civilians (with medals if applicable) and ceremonial uniform, with medals, for military attendees. Guests are advised to apply mosquito repellent and carry a small torch. Candles will be provided for the service.

Following the service, Dr John Subritzky, New Zealand High Commissioner, and Mr Rod Smith, PSM, Australian High Commissioner, will host a traditional 'gunfire' breakfast at the New Zealand Residence, 15 Jalan Langgak Golf. Members of the public who wish to attend the breakfast are requested to advise the New Zealand High Commission at (603) 2078 2533 or email 'cathie.muker@mfat.govt.nz'. Kindly RSVP by 17 April 2015.