Form 33

Rule 16.32

Defence

No.       of 20

Federal Court of Australia

District Registry: [State]

Division: [Division]

**[Name of First Applicant]** [if 2 or more add "and another" or "and others"]

Applicant[s]

**[Name of First Respondent]** [if 2 or more add "and another" or "and others"]

Respondent[s]

1. [Plead as required by the Rules]

Date: [eg 19 June 20..]

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| Signed by [Name]  [Insert capacity: Respondent / Lawyer for the Respondent] |

This pleading was prepared by [Name], lawyer

**Certificate of lawyer**

I [name of lawyer] certify to the Court that, in relation to the defence filed on behalf of the Respondent, the factual and legal material available to me at present provides a proper basis for:

(a) each allegation in the pleading; and

(b) each denial in the pleading; and

(c) each non admission in the pleading.

Date: [eg 19 June 20..]

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| Signed by [Name]  Lawyer for the Respondent |