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Draft Taxation Determination

Income tax: is withholding tax payable on the net dividend and/or interest compaonent when an Australian resident trust makes a distribution to which a non-resident beneficiary is presently entitled?

1. Yes. Withholdng tax on dividend and interest income is payable on the net distribution by the trustee.

2. Subsection 128A(3) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* provides that a trust distribution which includes a dividend and interest component, to which a non-resident beneficiary is presently entitled, is deemed to retain its nature in the hands of the beneficiary. Subsection 95(1) defines the net income of a trust estate, while suparagraph 97(1)(a)(ii) provides details of the entitlement of a non-resident beneficiary to a share of the net income of the trust.

Example:

J.Smith, a non-resident beneficiary is presently entitled to a distribution from the XYZ Family Trust of \$4,500 as follows:-

		nterest tal income	5,000 <u>2,000</u> 7,000		
Expense againts: Rent		2,000 Interest	<u>500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	
Net Trust Income					<u>4,500</u>

<u>4,500</u>- net rental income 3,000 net interest income 1,500

The trustee is liable to pay withholdint tax on the beneficiary's share of the net interest income ie: 10% *of* \$1,500

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