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Army says putting genitals on woman's head is OK

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A YOUNG army officer who claims a soldier put his genitals at the back of her head has taken the Australian Defence Force to court after their investigators ruled they could not prove his actions were sexually motivated.

Kaiya Chen, a former Army Captain, alleges in her sexual and racial discrimination claim filed in the Federal Court this month that a soldier put his genitals at the back of her head while she was seated in a classroom at the Defence Force school of languages in October 2017.

She was the only female, and the only officer, in the class with nine men and alleges the soldier from the Brisbane-based 6th Royal Australian Regiment "placed his leg up onto the desk or chair" behind her while she was still seated. She claims he did this after she joked during class about his "tendency to whinge".

Ms Chen alleges in documents filed in court that following the Australian Defence Force Investigation Service's probe into the alleged incident the Inspector General of the ADF considered the soldier's action "to be clumsy but not unacceptable by defence standards".

Ms Chen said the investigation into her complaint of sexual misconduct in relation to the genitals behind her head was ultimately dropped.

Ms Chen also filed internal complaints with the ADF of racial hatred.

Ms Chen has asked the Federal Court to order the ADF pay her compensation.

She stated she feels betrayed and victimised by the ADF for "speaking up".

Kaiya Chen.

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Charming. Maiden's piece is up.

Yes I saw that. Didn't see the clip we sent her though