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**FOI 156/16/17 STATEMENT OF REASONS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT**

1. I refer to the application by [REDACTED] under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act), for access to:

*"... YESTERDAY, I NOTICED THAT THE 2015-16 DEFENCE ANNUAL REPORT HAD BEEN POSTED TO DEFENCE WEBSITE.*

*THIS DAR LENDS ITSELF TO THIS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST TO ASSIST IN MY CONTRIBUTION IN TWO SENATE COMMITTEE INQUIRIES.*

1.

*ON PAGE 73 OF THE DEFENCE ANNUAL REPORT 2015-16,*

*"IN 2015-16, AUDIT BRANCH ISSUED 17 AUDIT REPORTS AND COMPLETED 13 MANAGEMENT-DIRECTED TASKS."*

*UNDER FOI, IF NOT ADMINISTRATIVELY, CAN I REQUEST A LIST OF THE THIRTY(30) REPORTS AND TASKS.*

*THIS REQUEST WOULD BE VALUE-ADDED IF A DOLLAR VALUE COULD BE ATTRIBUTED TO EACH OF THE REPORTS AND TASKS COMPLETED.*

2.

*ON PAGE 162 OF THE DEFENCE ANNUAL REPORT 2014-15*

*"IN 2014-15, AUDIT BRANCH ISSUED 23 AUDITS REPORTS AND COMPLETED EIGHT MANAGEMENT DIRECTED TASKS,"*

*UNDER FOI, IF NOT ADMINISTRATIVELY, CAN I REQUEST A LIST OF THE THIRTY ONE(31) REPORTS AND TASKS.*

*THIS REQUEST WOULD BE VALUE-ADDED IF A DOLLAR VALUE COULD BE ATTRIBUTED TO EACH OF THE REPORTS AND TASKS COMPLETED.*

3.

*ON PAGE 154 OF THE DEFENCE ANNUAL REPORT 2013-14*

*"IN 2013-14, AUDIT BRANCH ISSUED A TOTAL OF 22 AUDIT REPORTS."*

*UNDER FOI, IF NOT ADMINISTRATIVELY, CAN I REQUEST A LIST OF THE TWENTY TWO(22) REPORTS.*

*THIS REQUEST WOULD BE VALUE-ADDED IF A DOLLAR VALUE COULD BE ATTRIBUTED TO EACH OF THE REPORTS COMPLETED...."*

**FOI decision maker**

2. I am the accredited officer pursuant to section 23 of the FOI Act to make a decision on this FOI request.

**Documents identified**

3. I identified one document as matching the description of the request.

**Decision**

4. I have decided to release the identified document in full.

**Material taken into account**

5. In making my decision, I had regard to:
- a. the terms of the request;
  - b. the content of the identified documents in issue;
  - c. relevant provisions in the FOI Act;
  - d. the Guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act (the Guidelines); and
  - e. feedback received from First Assistant Secretary Audit and Fraud Control and Assistant Secretary Audit.

**Ken.Martens**

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