



Australian Government
Department of Defence

FOI 220/16/17 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:

Background

In response to a Question Without Notice from the Member for Boothby on Wednesday 8 February 2017, the Minister for Defence Industry stated:

“...the Department of Defence is having [sic] to advise me that we will need to build our own supplementary power generation at the Osborne ship and submarine yards, plus the fuel storage required to run those generators...”

Request

In the context of the above statement, for the period 28 September 2016 to 8 February 2017, please provide:

· A copy of all advice provided to the Minister for Defence Industry by the Department of Defence regarding electricity supply at the Osborne shipbuilding facility; and

· A copy of all correspondence (emails, text messages, letters, briefing notes) between the Minister for Defence Industry and the Department of Defence, regarding electricity supply at the Osborne shipbuilding facility; and

· A copy of all correspondence (emails, text messages, letters, briefing notes) between staff of the Minister for Defence Industry and the Department of Defence, regarding electricity supply at the Osborne shipbuilding facility.”

Excluding personal email addresses, signatures, PMKeys numbers and mobile telephone numbers, contained in documents that fall within the scope of the FOI request. In addition, excluding duplicates of documents.

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 three documents as matching the description of the request.

Decision

4. I have decided to:

- a. release three documents in full; and
- b. remove irrelevant material as referred to in the scope of the request in accordance with section 22(1)(b)(ii) of the FOI Act.

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; and
 - d. the Guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act (the Guidelines).

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