



Reference: R34137493

FOI 381/17/18 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:

“A report produced by Defence’s Classified Archival Review Team detailing folios from files that have been recommended for exemption on national security grounds relating to WW2, Vietnam War and Korean War.

Excluding personal email addresses, signatures, PMKeys numbers and mobile telephone numbers, contained in documents that fall within the scope of the FOI request. Drafts and duplicates are also excluded.”

FOI decision maker

2. I am the authorised 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.

4. In accordance with section 17 of the FOI Act, Defence’s Classified Records Review Directorate produced a report from its database that satisfied the terms of the request. While the report appears to be missing a line in the column there is no information missing.

Decision

5. I have decided to release the document in full.

Material taken into account

6. In making my decision, I had regard to:

- a. the terms of the request;
- b. the content of the identified document 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);
- e. advice received from Classified Records Review Directorate, Governance Reform Branch, Strategic Policy and Intelligence Group and the Department of Foreign Affairs.

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