



Australian Government
Department of Defence

Reference: R34766228

FOI 366/17/18 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 breakdown of all incidents of lost, missing, unaccounted for or recovered weapons, explosives and ordnance in the years 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 held by ADFIS or Audit and Fraud

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 drafts and duplicates of documents.

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 two documents as matching the description of the request.
4. I have added an FOI reference number and Item number to each of the documents.

Decision

5. I have decided to remove irrelevant material as referred to in the scope of the request in accordance with section 22(1)(b)(ii) of the FOI Act and release the remainder of the document intact.

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 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);
 - e. advice received from Audit and Fraud and the Australian Defence Force Investigative Service; and
 - f. comments from State authorities as a result of consultation.

Reason for decision

7. Upon examination of the documents, I identified information that I regard as irrelevant to the request for access. The information provided in Item 1 and Item 2 provide a breakdown of all recorded incidents of lost, missing, unaccounted for or recovered weapons, explosives and ordnance in the financial years 2015/2016 and 2016/2017 held by the Australian Defence Force Investigative Service and Audit and Fraud Control.

Further Information

8. Both of the documents matching the scope of this request contained a dissemination limiting marker. As the documents are approved for public release the marker has been struck through.



Sharon Johnson
Accredited Decision Maker
Australian Defence Force Headquarters

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