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FOI 466/17/18 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:

“The Department of Defence Public Affairs and Corporate Communication’s (PACC) year 2000 report, ‘Enhancing the Military Public Affairs Capability in the ADF’.

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, and documents sent to and from me.

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. It should be noted that no document matching the title ‘*Enhancing the Military Public Affairs Capability in the ADF*’ was identified. A document titled ‘A Military Public Affairs Capability for the 21st Century’ that was developed by PACC in 2000 was identified. Therefore, I have determined that this is the document being requested as outlined in the scope of this FOI request.

4. Accordingly, I identified one document as matching the description of the request.

Decision

5. I have decided to release one document in full in accordance with the FOI Act.

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), and
- e. advice provided by Military Strategic Commitments.

Further information

7. The document matching the scope of this request contained a dissemination limiting marker, as the document is approved for public release the marker has been struck through.

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