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**DEFENCE FOI 228/23/24**

**STATEMENT OF REASONS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1982**

1. I refer to the request by [REDACTED] (the applicant), dated and received on 5 September 2023 by the Department of Defence (Defence), for access to the following documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth) (FOI Act):

*... the trilateral E-7A "Wedgetail" "Joint Vision Statement" signed by Australia, the United States, and the United Kingdom in July 2023*

*Timeframe: 01/07/2023 to 31/07/2023*

**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 have identified one (1) document as falling within the scope of the request.

**Decision**

4. I have decided to release one (1) document in full.

**Material taken into account**

5. In making my decision, I have had regard to:
- the terms of the request;
  - the content of the identified document in issue;
  - relevant provisions of the FOI Act;
  - the Guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act (the Guidelines); and
  - foreign government consultation responses under section 15(7) of the FOI Act.

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