Australian Government

Department of Defence

Reference: BS5608548

FOI 094/19/20 STATEMENT OF REASONS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

1.   I refer to the application by
under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act), for access to:

> *(a) Risk assessments concerning asbestos maintained for the site at DNSDC-Moorebank between 2014 and 2016*
>
> *(b) Registers concerning asbestos that were prepared, maintained and kept for the site at DNSDC-Moorebank between 2014 and 2016 (that is for each of the 3 years of 2014, 2015 and 2016) as required by the Work Health and Safety Regulation 2017 (NSW) and predecessor legislation*
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> *I do not require personal email addresses, signatures, PMKeys numbers and mobile telephone numbers, contained in documents that fall within the scope of the FOI request. In addition, I exclude duplicates of documents, and only require final versions 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 14 documents as matching the description of the request.

4.   The decision in relation to each document is detailed in a schedule of documents.

5.   I have added an FOI reference number and Item number to each of the documents, which corresponds with the schedule attached.

Decision

6.   I have decided to release 14 documents. Four documents are released in full. The remaining ten documents are partially released 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.

Material taken into account

7.   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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