## **Australian Government**

## Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

FOI Ref: 1506F1195 File No: 15/27120 Date: 7 August 2015

Ms Evelyn Doyle foi+request-1118-6b0f1e42@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Ms Doyle

# Re: Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your current request for access under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act) to:

"A list of the names of businesses or industry associations that had representatives in the margins of Ministerial Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement negotiating sessions since September 2013, when Mr Robb was appointed to the Trade Portfolio."

I am authorised under section 23 of the FOI Act to make access decisions, and have been appointed to be the decision-maker on your request as required by departmental procedures.

As noted in the Department's letter to you of 18 May 2015, the Department holds no documents relevant to your request. However, bearing in mind the objects of the FOI Act, I have asked that such a list be created. This list is attached.

Notwithstanding the fact that this list has been released in full, your review rights are as follows.

#### Your review rights

Internal review

Under the provisions of section 54 of the FOI Act, you are entitled to request a review of my access decision. Your request in writing within 30 days of the date of this letter should be directed to:

Director
Freedom of Information and Privacy Law Section
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
R G Casey Building
John McEwen Crescent
Barton ACT 0221

### Australian Information Commissioner

Under the provisions of section 54 of the FOI Act, you are entitled to request a review by the Australian Information Commissioner of my access decision. You may also make a complaint to the Australian Information Commissioner under section 70 on the Department's performance of its functions or the exercise of power under the FOI Act.

Your request for review or complaint should be directed to:

GPO Box 5218 Sydney NSW 2001

Telephone: 1300 363 992 Fax: (02) 9284 9666

Email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au

### Complaints to the Commonwealth Ombudsman

You may complain to the Ombudsman concerning actions taken by an agency in the exercise of its powers or, more specifically, the performance of its functions under the FOI Act. There is no fee for making a complaint. The Ombudsman will conduct an independent investigation of your complaint.

You may complain to the Ombudsman by calling or writing to:

Commonwealth Ombudsman

GPO Box 442

Canberra ACT 2601

Telephone: 1300 362 072

Fax: (02) 6249 7829

Should you have any queries regarding this matter please contact your FOI case officer Lindy Judge on (02) 6261 1701.

Yours sincerely

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