

14 January 2016

Dear Lachlan

FOI/LEX: 16894

By Email: foi+request-1443-a9445b09@righttoknow.org.au

Your Freedom of Information Request - Acknowledgement

1. I refer to your request for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act* 1982 (the **FOI Act**). I have taken your request to be for:

'This email is a request for access to Operational Blueprint 007-11010130 - Deferral of Prohibition of Family Tax Benefit Instalment Payments (PIP) under the Freedom of Information Act 1982.'

Timeframe to Process Your FOI Request - extension of time

- 2. Your request was received by the department on 21 December 2015 and the 30 day statutory period for processing your request commenced from the day after that date. This means the date you can expect to receive a decision from us by 20 January 2016.
- 3. I apologise for the delay in acknowledging the receipt of your FOI request.
- 4. I confirm that we have commenced processing your request and hope to have the matter finalised by the current due date. If we need an extension of time to process, we will formally contact you
- 5. The department will also advise you if a charge is payable to process your request and the amount of any such charge as soon as practicable. No charge is payable for providing a person with their own personal information.

Your Address

6. The FOI Act requires that you provide us with an address which we can send notices to. You have advised your email address is foi+request-1443-a9445b09@righttoknow.org.au. We will send all notices and correspondence to this address. Please advise us if you wish correspondence to be sent to another address or if your address changes as soon as possible. If you do not advise us of changes to your address, correspondence and notices will continue to be sent to the address specified above.

Disclosure Log

7. Please note that information released under FOI Act may be published in a disclosure log on the department's website. Section 11C of the FOI Act requires this publication,

however it is subject to certain exceptions, including where publication of personal, business, professional or commercial information would be unreasonable.

Exclusion of junior department employee details

- 8. The department is working towards ensuring that all employees have a choice about whether they provide their full name, personal logon identifiers and direct contact details in response to public enquiries. Where such details are included in the scope of a request, this may add to processing time and applicable charges as it may be necessary to consider whether the details are exempt under the FOI Act. On this basis, unless you tell us otherwise, we will assume that these details are out of scope of your request and they will be redacted under section 22 of the FOI Act.
- 9. Should you have any enquiries concerning this matter, please send an email to: freedomofinformation@humanservices.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

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