

Australian
Human Rights
Commission

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Ms Nicole Iliagoueva
Right to Know

By email: foi+request-1636-69d4e8cd@righttoknow.org.au

Dear Ms Iliagoueva,

Request for documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)*

I refer to your 26 February 2016 request under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)* (FOI Act), for access to:

Any documented communication between the High Courts and the Federal Parliament, regarding the Marriage Equality (Same Sex) Act, before and after the act was annulled.

On receipt of your FOI request, I considered whether any section of the Commission could possibly have "any documented communication between the High Courts and the Federal Parliament". I requested the relevant sections of the Commission to conduct a search for documents falling within your request. I was advised there are no such documents held by the Commission.

1 Decision

Pursuant to section 24A(1)(b)(ii), I have decided to refuse access to the documents you have requested as they do not exist.

2 Avenues of review

If you are dissatisfied with my decision or the searches we conducted to locate documents related to your request, you may apply for internal review or Information Commissioner review of the decision. We encourage you to seek internal review as a first step as it may provide a more rapid resolution of your concerns.

2.1 Internal review

Under section 54 of the FOI Act, you may apply in writing to the Commission for an internal review of my decision. The internal review application must be made within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Where possible please include reasons why you believe review of the decision is necessary. The internal review will be carried out by another officer within 30 days.

2.2 Information Commissioner review

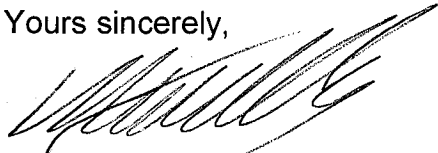
Under section 54L of the FOI Act, you may apply to the Australian Information Commissioner to review my decision. An application for review by the Information Commissioner must be made in writing within 60 days of the date of this letter, and be lodged in one of the following ways:

online: <https://forms.business.gov.au/aba/oaic/foi-review-/>

email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au

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Yours sincerely,



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