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7 October 2016

Mr Phillip Sweeney  
Via Email:

Dear Mr Sweeney,

**Freedom of Information request**

I refer to your application dated 7 September 2016, under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the Act) seeking the following:

*"The letterhead used by the AFP when engaged in the Serious Financial Crime Taskforce activities."*

Attached at Annexure A to this letter is my decision and statement of reasons for that decision.

***Information Publication Scheme (IPS)***

As notified to you on 5 October 2016 and in accordance with section 11C of the Act, it has been decided [to publish the documents in full in respect of your request. Publication of the documents and any relevant documents will be made on the AFP website at <http://www.afp.gov.au/about-the-afp/information-publication-scheme/routinely-requested-information.aspx> between 2 and 10 days after notification of this decision.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MK', is written over a circular stamp or mark.

Melissa Kelly  
Acting Coordinator  
Freedom of Information  
Australian Federal Police

**STATEMENT OF REASONS RELATING TO AN FOI REQUEST BY  
PHILLIP SWEENEY**

I, Melissa Kelly, Acting Coordinator, Freedom of Information Team, am an officer authorised under section 23 of the Act to make decisions in relation to the Australian Federal Police.

What follows is my decision and reasons for the decision in relation to your application.

**BACKGROUND**

On 7 September 2016, this office received your email in which you requested:

*"The letterhead used by the AFP when engaged in the Serious Financial Crime Taskforce activities."*

**SEARCHES**

In relation to this request, the following searches for documents have been undertaken:

- a) a search of all records held by the relevant line areas within the AFP.

**DECISION**

I have identified one document relevant to your request. I have decided that the document is to be released to you in its entirety.

**WAIVER OF CHARGES**

Further, given that the request has totalled only one page and was not a complex request to process, I am waiving any further fees and charges which are normally associated with the processing of applications under the Act.

**EVIDENCE/MATERIAL ON WHICH MY FINDINGS WERE BASED**

In reaching my decision, I have relied on the following documentary evidence:

- ❖ the scope of your application;
- ❖ the contents of the documents listed in the attached schedule;
- ❖ advice from AFP officers with responsibility for matters relating to the documents to which you sought access;
- ❖ *Freedom of Information Act 1982*;
- ❖ Guidance material issued by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet; and
- ❖ Guidelines issued by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner.

## **REVIEW RIGHTS**

If you are dissatisfied with this decision you can apply for internal or Information Commissioner (IC) Review. You do not have to apply for Internal Review before seeking IC review.

### ***REVIEW RIGHTS under Part VI of the Act: Internal Review by the AFP***

Section 53A of the Act gives you the right to apply for an internal review in writing to this Department within 30 days of being notified of this decision.

No particular form is required but it would assist the decision-maker were you to set out in the application, the grounds on which you consider that the decision should be reviewed.

Applications for a review of the decision should be addressed to:

Freedom of Information Team  
Australian Federal Police  
GPO Box 401  
Canberra ACT 2601

### ***REVIEW RIGHTS under Part VII of the Act: Review by the Information Commissioner (IC)***

Alternatively, Section 54L of the Act gives you the right to apply directly to the IC or following an internal review by the AFP. In making your application you will need to provide an address for notices to be sent (this can be an email address) and a copy of the AFP decision. It would also help if you set out the reasons for review in your application.

Section 54S of the Act provides for the timeframes for an IC review submission. For an *access refusal decision* covered by subsection 54L(2), the application must be made within 60 days. For an *access grant decision* covered by subsection 54M(2), the application must be made within 30 days.

Applications for a review of the decision should be addressed to:

Office of the Australian Information Commissioner  
GPO Box 5218  
Sydney NSW 2001

### ***Right to Complain***

Section 70 of the Act provides that a person may complain to the IC about action taken by this Department in relation to your application.

A complaint to the IC may be made in writing and identify the agency against which the complaint is made.

The IC may be contacted on 1300 363 992. There is no particular form required to make a complaint, but the complaint should set out the grounds on which you consider the action should be investigated.

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