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Dear Mr John

I refer to your email dated 28 September 2016, and to your request for access to documents in the possession of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (the ABS) in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act). Your request sought access to information and documents relating to the following categories:

- Potentially malicious outbound traffic
- DDoS Traffic
- DDoS Mitigation

I am refusing this request because a practical refusal reason exists.

In accordance with Section 24AA of the FOI Act, the work involved in processing your request in its current form would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of the agency from its other operations.

This view is based on information that I received from the business area that holds the documents.

Please contact the ABS Freedom of Information (FOI) Team with a view to agreeing to one of the following options:

- a. withdrawing your request; or
- b. revising your request to narrow the scope.

The ABS FOI Team can be reached by email at freedomofinformation@abs.gov.au or by telephone on (02) 6252 7203.

Please note that in accordance with Section 24AB(2)(e) you have 14 days from the date of this email to contact the ABS regarding your request. If we do not hear from you in this time your request will be deemed to be withdrawn.

Yours sincerely

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30 September 2016