

Our Ref: CRM2013/110

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Dear Ms Evelyn Doyle

Your Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your application dated 16 October 2012 in which you seek access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the Act).

On 31 October we provided you with notice under 24AB(2) of the FOI Act of an intention to refuse to grant access to documents sought, pursuant to section 24AA of the Act. The exact reasons for the said communication were stated in our letter dated 31 October 2012 in paragraphs 6-8. The main reason for the above notice was the processing of your request would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of AFP from its other operations.

Subsequently, on clarification and narrowing of your request via emails dated 6 November, 7 November and 12 November 2012, we acknowledged your communications and removed the ground for section 24AB refusal.

However, upon assessing your revised request/scope, the AFP is of the view that your request will take longer than 30 days (from the original date of receipt 16 October 2012) to process, due to the nature of consultative processes required as per guidelines specified in the FOI Act.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 15AA of the Act, I seek your agreement to extend the period to notify you of a decision to 15 December 2012.

I would be grateful if you would advise this office in writing of your agreement to the proposed extension of time as soon as possible.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely,


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