

Our ref: CMTEDD 57/16-17

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Dear UD

# Freedom of Information Request – complaints about rainbow flag

I refer to your request for documents under section 14 of the *Freedom of Information Act* 1989 (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 20 February 2017.

You have specifically requested:

"... any emails or letters received by the Chief Minister/'s office with a negative opinion about the territory's flying of the rainbow flag."

### **Decision Maker**

I am authorised under section 22 of the Act and have been approved to make decisions on access to documents and liability for charges.

### Charges

I have decided under section 29 of the Act not to impose processing charges for this request.

### **Decision on Access**

Officers of CMTEDD have conducted searches of paper and electronic files for documents held by or in the possession of the Directorate that may relate to your request. No relevant documents have been identified.

From the advice I have received from Directorate staff, I am satisfied that no documents relevant to your request are held by CMTEDD.

### Your right of review

### Internal Review

Under section 59 (1) of the Act, you may request a review of my decision. You have 28 days after receiving notice of my decision to ask for a review, or a further period as allowed by the Director-General.

Your request should be addressed to:

Director-General c/o Freedom of Information Co-ordinator Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate GPO Box 158 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: <a href="mailto:cMTEDDFOl@act.gov.au">CMTEDDFOl@act.gov.au</a>

## Complaints to the Ombudsman

Under section 54 of the Act, you may complain to the Ombudsman about administrative matters relating to the processing of your Freedom of Information request. There is no fee for making a complaint. The Ombudsman will conduct an independent investigation into your complaint.

You can contact the Ombudsman either by telephone on 1300 362 072 or in writing to:

The Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601

#### Online FOI Policy

I have assessed your request for information under the ACT Government's Online Freedom of Information Publication Policy and have determined that my decision on your request will be published online.

A copy of the policy, with details about what information may be published on the Internet, is available online at:

http://www.cmd.act.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0016/250333/FOI Web Release Policy - Final.pdf

If you have any queries or concerns in relation to my decision, please contact me on (02) 6207 8207 or email <a href="mailto:CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au">CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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