

Australian Government

Department of Immigration and Citizenship

10 September 2013

Mr Lawrence Bull

Sent via email: foi+request-349-737e2a87@righttoknow.org.au

In reply please quote:

Client Name Lawrence Bull FOI Request FA 13/08/00709 File Number ADF2013/26435

Dear Mr Bull,

Freedom of Information request - Release of documents

This letter refers to your request received on 16 August 2013 seeking access under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act) to the following documents:

"Incident Detail Report 1-BNNMLW from the Department's Compliance, Case Management, Detention and Settlement Portal. I also request any documents attached to the detailed report."

Decision

Under section 23 of the FOI Act I am authorised to make a decision on your FOI request.

My decision is to exempt, in part, the documents within the scope of your request. Please see the attached Decision Record and Schedule of Documents for information on those documents which have been exempted or refused as part of this decision.

Review rights

Internal review

If you disagree with my decision, you have the right to apply for an internal review by the department of a primary decision to refuse access to documents you have requested.

If you wish to make a request for internal review this must be sent within 30 days of being notified of the decision. Where possible please attach reasons why you believe review of the decision is necessary. The internal review will be carried out by an officer other than the original decision-maker and the department must make a review decision within 30 days.

Applications for review should be sent to:

Freedom of Information
Department of Immigration and Citizenship
PO Box 25
BELCONNEN ACT 2616

Or email: foi@immi.gov.au

Review by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner

You may apply directly to the Australian Information Commissioner for a review of my decision.

You must apply in writing within 60 days of this notice. You can lodge your application in one of the following ways:

Post GPO Box 2999

CANBERRA ACT 2601

or GPO Box 5218

SYDNEY NSW 2001

Online www.oaic.gov.au
Email enquiries@oaic.gov.au
Fax +61 2 9284 9666

In person 4 National Circuit BARTON ACT or Level 3, 175 Pitt Street SYDNEY NSW

An application form is available on the website at www.oaic.gov.au. Your application should include a copy of the notice of the decision to which you are seeking review and your contact details. You should also set out why you are seeking a review of the decision.

For further information about review rights under the FOI Act please see FOI fact sheet 12 'Freedom of information – Your review rights', available online at www.oaic.gov.au.

How to make a complaint about the handling of your FOI request

You may complain to the Australian Information Commissioner if you have concerns about how the department has handled your request under the FOI Act.

Your complaint must be in writing and must specify the agency you are complaining about. You can send your complaint to the Australian Information Commissioner using the details above. A complaint form is also available at www.oaic.gov.au.

If you are unhappy with the department's decision about giving or refusing access to documents, you should ask for the decision to be reviewed, which is a separate process which has been outlined in the previous section.

Contacting the FOI section

If you wish to discuss this matter, I can be contacted using the details provided below.

Client service information

Information about our Client Service Charter and how to make a compliment, complaint or suggestion, is included in the Client Service Information attachment.

Contacting the department

You can contact us with a general enquiry in a number of ways including by email, through our website, by telephone through our Service Centres or offices around the world, or in person. In Australia you can call 13 18 81 between 8.30 am and 4.30 pm Monday to Friday. Details on contacting our offices outside Australia are available on our website at www.immi.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Attachments
Decision Record
Schedule of Documents

Documents released:

- Incident Detail Report = 1-BNNMLW

Client Service Information

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Client Service Charter

Our Client Service Charter explains our service commitment to you. We are committed to service delivery that is timely, open and accountable, and responsive to your needs. The Charter explains how you can help us and how you can provide feedback or make a complaint. You can read our Client Service Charter on our website, or in a printed copy available from any of our offices.

Service satisfaction

The department remains committed to ensuring that all clients, both in Australia and overseas, receive not only fair and reasonable treatment, but also an efficient standard of service that is sensitive to each client's needs.

To provide a compliment, complaint or suggestion you can:

- telephone the Global Feedback Unit on 13 31 77 during business hours
- complete a feedback form online at www.immi.gov.au
- write to:

The Manager Global Feedback Unit GPO Box 241 Melbourne VIC 3001 Australia

• contact us directly through any of our offices.