



4 August 2017

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FOI Request FA 17/05/01274

File Number ADF 2017/55443

Mr Asher Hirsch

Sent via email: [foi+request-3553-98162dfe@righttoknow.org.au](mailto:foi+request-3553-98162dfe@righttoknow.org.au)

**Freedom of Information request - decision**

Dear Mr Hirsch,

This letter refers to your request received on 22 May 2017, revised on 16 June 2017 seeking access under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the Act) to the following documents:

*Please provide statistics on number of people who arrived through the Refugee and Humanitarian Program (Class XB) that received a health waiver under Public Interest Criteria 4007.*

*Please provide these statistics by financial year from July 1 2011 until the latest available date. Please provide a breakdown of these statistics by visa subclass.*

This letter is to provide you with the decision which is at **Attachment A – Decision Record**.

**FOI Legislation**

A copy of the FOI Act is available for your reference from:

[www.legislation.gov.au/Browse/ByTitle/Acts/InForce/0/0/Principal](http://www.legislation.gov.au/Browse/ByTitle/Acts/InForce/0/0/Principal)

**Review rights**

Internal review

If you disagree with the decision, you have the right to apply for an internal review of the decision. 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 Border Protection  
PO Box 25  
BELCONNEN ACT 2617

Or by email to: [foi.reviews@border.gov.au](mailto:foi.reviews@border.gov.au)

Review by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner

You may apply directly to the Australian Information Commissioner for a review of the decision. You must apply in writing within 60 days of this notice. 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](http://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. Information about how to submit a complaint is also available at [www.oaic.gov.au](http://www.oaic.gov.au) .

**Contacting the FOI section**

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

Yours sincerely

*(signed electronically)*

H Simons  
FOI Officer  
Freedom of Information, Privacy & Records Management Branch  
Department of Immigration and Border Protection  
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**Attachment(s)**

- ✓ Attachment A – Decision Record
- ✓ Attachment B – Schedule of Documents
- ✓ Attachment C – Documents released



## Attachment A

## DECISION RECORD

### Request Details

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### Scope of request

1. The request, received by the Department on 22 May 2017, revised on 16 June 2017 was for:

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### Documents in scope

2. One document was created by the Department that addresses the scope of your request. This document is detailed at Attachment B - *Schedule of Documents* and attached as Attachment C – *Document released*.

### Authority to make decision

3. I am an officer authorised under section 23 of the FOI Act to make decisions in respect of requests to access documents or to amend or annotate Departmental records.

### Information considered

4. In reaching my decision, I have considered the following:
  - The *Freedom of Information Act 1982*;
  - The document as listed in the Schedule of Documents;
  - Consultations with relevant business areas; and
  - The Australian Information Commissioner's guidelines relating to access to documents held by government

### Decision

5. I am satisfied that the document addresses your request and that no exemptions apply. I therefore release the document in full.

Kirrily Goodsell  
Authorised decision maker  
Department of Immigration and Border Protection

26 July 2017



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**Attachment B**

**Schedule of Documents**

**REQUEST UNDER *FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1982***

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<b>No.</b>	<b>Folio</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Decision on release</b>	<b>Applicable part/s of the FOI Act</b>
1.	1	Refugees and Humanitarian Waivers: 1 July 2011 – 30 June 2016	Released in full	n/a