

Senator the Hon. Michael Ronaldson

Minister for Veterans' Affairs Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC Special Minister of State

'MJ'

Right to Know

By email: foi+request-404-ca579814@righttoknow.org.au

Dear 'MJ'

Thank you for your request for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act) addressed to the Minister for Veterans' Affairs and received on 18 September 2013.

Your request is in the following terms:

"Under FOI Act please provide me with a copy of pages 47-48 of your incoming government brief."

I am writing to advise that your request has been transferred to the Department of Veterans' Affairs (the Department). Section 16 of the FOI Act allows for the transfer of a request in circumstances where the requested document or documents are in the possession of another agency or minister or where the subject matter of the document is more closely connected with the functions of another agency or minister.

Accordingly, on 24 September 2013, your request was transferred to the Department, as it has possession of the requested documents. The Department has accepted a transfer under section 16 of the FOI Act and will process your request.

Your request was received on 18 September 2013 and the 30 day statutory period for processing your request commenced from the day after that date. The Department will process the request in accordance with the same statutory timeframe. You should, therefore, expect a decision from the Department by 18 October 2013. The period of 30 days may be extended if the Department needs to consult third parties or for other reasons. The Department will advise you if this happens.

Your request will be processed by the Information Law Section, which can be contacted by email at FOI@dva.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

ROBERT HARDIE Acting Chief of Staff

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