



Australian Government
Department of Defence

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FOI 368/17/18 STATEMENT OF REASONS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

1. I refer to the application by Ms Varity Pane under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act), for access to:

“Under FOI, and in particular s 17, I apply for summary statistician information to be compiled (if not already compiled) of the number of Code of Conduct complaints received by Defence, about Defence public servants, for the last three financial years, as well as how many of those were investigated by Defence, and of those how many were eventually upheld.

I’d also like those to be broken down by the APS level involved.

The request excludes personal email addresses, signatures, PMKeys numbers and mobile telephone numbers, contained in documents that fall within the scope of the FOI request. In addition, excluding duplicates of documents.”

FOI decision maker

2. I am the authorised officer pursuant to section 23 of the FOI Act to make a decision on this FOI request.

Documents identified

3. I identified one document as matching the description of the request.

Decision

4. I have decided to release the document in full.

Material taken into account

5. In making my decision, I had regard to:
- the terms of the request;
 - the content of the identified document in issue;
 - relevant provisions in the FOI Act;
 - the Guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act (the Guidelines).

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