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Ms Verity Pane

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Extension of time under s 15AB

Dear Ms Pane

On 30 August 2018, the Department of Veterans' Affairs (the Department) applied for further time to make a decision on your FOI request of 16 July 2018.

This application was on the basis that the processing period is insufficient to deal adequately with your request, because it is complex and voluminous.

Consultation

On 31 August 2018, the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner wrote to you to seek your views on the Department's request. You responded to our inquiries and provided a number of comments that I have taken into consideration.

Decision

I have decided to grant the Department an extension of time to process your request to **1 October 2018**. This decision has been made under s 15AB(2) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth).

By granting further time it is anticipated that the Department will provide a well-reasoned and better managed decision.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this email please contact me on 02 9284 9745 or via email Carl.English@oaic.gov.au. Please quote OAIC reference number RQ18/02489 in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. English', enclosed in a light blue rectangular border.

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7 September 2018