



Australian Government
Attorney-General's Department

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Mr Jason Wilson
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Dear Mr Wilson

Freedom of Information Request no. FOI 13/221

I refer to your request for access to documents relating to the appointment of Tim Wilson as Human Rights Commissioner, under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act). As your request covers documents which contain another individual's personal information, the Department is required to consult with that individual (under section 27A of the FOI Act) before making a decision on the release of those documents.

For this reason the period for processing your request has been extended by 30 days in order to allow our agency time to consult with that individual (section 15(6) of the FOI Act). The processing period for your request will now end on 13 March 2014.

The consultation mechanism under section 27A applies when we believe the individual (or their representative) may wish to contend that the requested documents are exempt for reasons of personal privacy. We will take into account any comments we receive from the individual but the final decision about whether to grant you access to the documents you requested rests with this Department.

More information about exemptions under the FOI Act is available in Fact Sheet 8 on the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner's website: <http://www.oaic.gov.au/freedom-of-information/foi-resources/freedom-of-information-fact-sheets/>.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Meagan Wilson', written over a horizontal line.

Meagan Wilson
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FOI and Privacy Section