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Dear Mr Mansillo

FOI REQUEST - REFERENCE NUMBER 2013-12

I refer to your request for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act) in your email of 4 February 2013. Specifically, you have sought access to the following documents:

emails from the ABC to the Leader of the Opposition's Office and replies from his Office detailing requests made regarding his appearance [on Q&A] since 16 August 2010.

I confirm that the 30 day statutory period for processing your request commenced from the day after your application was received, being 5 February 2013.

Subject to any suspension of the processing period or extension of the time for deciding this application, the ABC is required to make a determination in relation to this application by 6 March 2013. Please note that processing charges may be imposed and that consultation with third parties may be required. If it is necessary to seek agreement to pay charges or to consult with third parties, additional processing time is provided under the FOI Act. You will be advised of any charges as well as any need to consult third parties in relation to your request.

Please note that the ABC is required by the FOI Act to publish decisions and accessed information on its website within 10 working days after the release of the documents to the FOI applicant.

I will consider your request and provide you with a decision as soon as practicable.

Yours sincerely

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