

Dear FOI Applicant,

I refer to your email dated 28 July 2020 seeking documents under *Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)* (**the FOI Act**).

The standard timeframe for processing requests under the FOI Act is 30 days.

However, section 15AA of the FOI Act enables this timeframe to be extended by agreement.

Due to the nature of the searches that are required to identify any documents that correspond to the description in your request, and the demands that the COVID-19 context is placing on the ATO resources that would conduct those searches, I email to seek your agreement to extend the timeframe for our response to this request by 30 days. This would result in our response to you being due by 26 September 2020. We will of course continue to work in relation to your request, and will respond earlier if we are able to do so.

Thank you.

FOI Team

Australian Taxation Office