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Sent via email: foi+request-7039-219d3dce@righttoknow.org.au

Dear JS

Acknowledgment of request for access under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)*

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) acknowledges receipt of your email of 28 January 2021 requesting, under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)*, to:

- '(a) copies of policies and procedures used by the ACCC to assess and determine 'public outrage';*
- (b) documents containing the material relied on by the ACCC to determine the public outrage against News Corp was disproportionate;*
- (c) documents containing the material relied on by the ACCC to assert that Google have managed to convince people News Corps are the big, bad guy.'*

Timeframe for processing your request

The ACCC has 30 days to process your request, beginning 28 January 2021. This timeframe may be extended by the ACCC where consultation with third parties is necessary.

Charges

If the ACCC decides that you should pay a charge to process your request, we will notify you of the likely cost of processing your request and your options if you disagree. The statutory timeframe is placed on hold from when this is sent to you and resumes at a later time.

We will notify you of any charges in relation to your request as soon as practicable.

Consultation with third parties

The ACCC may be required to consult with businesses or individuals (third parties) where you have sought information about those third parties. The Act grants an extra 30 days processing time for the ACCC to undertake this consultation. You will be advised if we extend the timeframe to allow third party consultation.

Decision

A decision maker will assess the documents (if any) to decide if we can release them, or if they are exempt from release. We will send you the decision and notify you of your review rights.

We will only release documents once any applicable processing charge is paid.

If we cannot locate any documents that are covered by the scope of your request, we will advise you of this and your review rights.

Publication of documents released under FOI

Material released under FOI may be published on our website unless we consider it unreasonable to do so.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact me on (02) 6243 1244.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sonya Petreski". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S".

Sonya Petreski

FOI Team
ACCC Legal Group

Sent by email 29/01/2021