Australian Government

Department of Health

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Dear Sir/Madam

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST - NOTIFICATION OF RECEIPT

I am writing to notify you in accordance with paragraph 15(5)(a) of the *Freedom of Information Act* 1982 (FOI Act) of receipt on 28 October 2014 by the Department of Health (Department) of your request for access under the FOI Act to:

Between 1 January 2014 and 28 October 2014, regarding Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd and its international subsidiaries:

Any Internal Communications, including emails and letters, regarding the regulatory actions of and results of inspections undertaken by the Food and Drugs Administration or Health Canada of facilities owned and/or managed by Ranbaxy and its subsidiaries;

Internal Communications, including emails and letters, regarding the safety of pharmaceuticals produced by Ranbaxy and its subsidiaries which have previously received regulatory approval

Your request will be processed in accordance with the provisions of the FOI Act, under which, the Department is required by paragraph 15(5)(b) to take all reasonable steps to notify you of a decision not later than 30 calendar days after the above receipt date.

In the case of your request, the due date for a decision is 27 November 2014 unless the 30 day period is extended for the reasons summarised below.

The 30-day period may be extended where either:

- we notify you that you are liable to pay a charge; or
- we are required to consult a third party,

in either of which you will be advised and given more details.

The time period may also be extended with your written agreement.

You can access the FOI Act at the following website: http://www.comlaw.gov.au/Series/C2004A02562

The Department will be in contact with you in the near future about the processing of your request, including if you will be required to pay a charge or if we need to consult a third party. You can contact the FOI Unit on (02) 6289 1666, or via email at FOI@health.gov.au, should you have any enquiries.

Yours sincerely

FOI Coordinator

Legal Services Branch

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