

Attachment A – Reasons: Freedom of Information Request No. LEX3134

Authority

As a Senior Government Lawyer, Legal and Procurement Branch, I am an authorised decision-maker under section 23 of the FOI Act.

Retrieval process

To identify documents for your request, I arranged for relevant staff likely to be able identify documents to undertake a comprehensive search of the relevant electronic holdings used by the AEC.

Relevant Document

With regard to the Relevant Documents, I have decided to grant access in full.

Material taken into account

I have taken the following material into account in making my decision:

- a) the terms of your request;
- b) the content of the documents that fall within the scope of your FOI Request;
- c) the FOI Act;
- d) the guidelines ('FOI Guidelines') issued by the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act;
- e) the FOI Guidance Notes, July 2011 issued by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet;
- f) the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918 (Cth); and
- g) the Privacy Act 1988.

Reasons

I did not identify any exemptions under the FOI Act that would apply to the Relevant Documents.