



Australian Government
Department of Health

Department Reference: FOI 168-1415

Ms Ainsley Serano

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Dear Ms Serano

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 13 February 2015 by the Department of Health (Department) of your request for access under the FOI Act, summarised as follows:

'any documentation/correspondence between Government and media representatives in relation to the legalisation of medical cannabis in Australia, focussing on NSW'

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 15 March 2015 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

25 February 2015