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Dear [Redacted]

Freedom of information request no. 201300471C

I refer to your request for access to documents relating to the allocation of PhB scholarships under the Freedom of Information Act 1982. I have taken your request to be for documents:

1. detailing the number of first year group of PhB (science) students this year - 2013 - who received scholarships
2. relating to the criteria this / these scholarship's was/were based on
3. explaining the reasons these people were chosen
4. identifying whether scholarship recipients were private or public school graduates

In preparing your FOI request I have conducted a search of the University’s records and contacted relevant people within the University.

I have located 1 document that is relevant to your request. After locating the document I have reviewed it in accordance with provisions of the Act to determine whether it may be exempt or otherwise conditionally exempt from disclosure.

As the Freedom of Information delegate I find that:

- 1 document relates to your request.
- 1 document is suitable for partial release

The document is summarised in the attached schedule of documents.

The scholarship information in the spreadsheet uses the following abbreviations:

NMS = ANU National Merit Scholarship
NUS = ANU National University Scholarship
Relocation Scholarship = Science PhB(Hons) Relocation Scholarship

Point 1 of your request: the document, released to you in part, contains the information requested.

Point 2 of your request: no documents were discovered relevant to this point of the request.
Information on the descriptions of the scholarships including eligibility and selection criteria can be released to you outside the Act and is available on the ANU website at the following addresses:

Point 3 of your request: no documents were discovered relevant to this point of the request.

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Point 4 of your request: no documents were discovered relevant to this point of the request. However, the document released to you in part does include the names of schools attended by PhB scholarship recipients.

A. Documents to which Section 22 applies:

Section 22 of the Act applies if:

(a) an agency or Minister decides:

   (i) to refuse to give access to an exempt document; or;
   (ii) that to give access to a document would disclose information that would reasonably be regarded as irrelevant to the request for access; and

(b) it is possible for the agency or Minister to prepare a copy (an edited copy) of the document, modified by deletions, ensuring that:

   (i) access to the edited copy would be required to be given under Section 11A (access to documents on request); and
   (ii) the edited copy would not disclose any information that would reasonably be regarded as irrelevant to the request; and

(c) it is reasonably practicable for the agency or Minister to prepare the edited copy, having regard to:

   (i) the nature and extent of the modification; and
   (ii) the resources available to modify the document; and

(d) it is not apparent (from the requestor from consultation with the applicant) that the applicant would decline access to the edited copy.

I have determined that the document identified includes matter irrelevant to the request and that information has been redacted from the document.
Application for Internal Review of Decision

I draw your attention to Section 54A of the Act, which gives you the right to apply for an internal review of my decision.

An application for internal review of my decision must be made in writing within 30 days receipt of this letter, no particular form is required but it is desirable to set out in the application the grounds on which you consider the decision should be reviewed.

Application for review of the decision should be addressed to:

Executive Director (Administration & Planning)
Building 10
The Australian National University
Canberra ACT 0200

Or via email: edap@anu.edu.au

Application for Information Commissioner (IC) Review of decision

Under section 54L of the FOI Act, you may apply to the Australian Information Commissioner to review my decision. An application for review by the Information Commissioner must be made in writing within 60 days of the date of this letter, and be lodged in one of the following ways:

online: https://forms.australia.gov.au/forms/oaic/foi-review/
email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au
post: GPO Box 2999, Canberra ACT 2601
in person: Level 3, 175 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW


Yours sincerely

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