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Dear [Name]

Freedom of Information Request No. 201600015C

I refer to your revised request for access to documents under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (FOI Act), relating to documents concerning Bruce Hall.

On 18 May I informed you that I believed that the work involved in processing your original request would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of this agency from its other operations due to the broad scope of the request.

On this basis, I informed you that I intended to refuse access to the documents you requested. This is called a 'practical refusal reason' (FOI Act section 24AA). However, before I made a final decision to do this, you had the opportunity to revise your request. This is called a 'request consultation process' (FOI Act section 24AB). In response on 31 May you forwarded to the University a revised request for access to:

Any written documents, emails, reports, records, meeting notes, correspondence or memoranda produced during the period 1 January 2015 to present by:

a. The Hon Gareth Evans AC QC
b. Professor Brian Schmidt AC FAA FRS
c. [Redacted]
d. [Redacted]
e. Professor Tim Senden
f. [Redacted]
g. [Redacted]
h. [Redacted]
i. [Redacted]
j. Mr Chris Grange
k. the Australian National University Campus Planning Committee
l. the Australian National University Major Projects Joint Sub-Committee
m. the Office of Vice Chancellor of the Australian National University

in relation to:

a. the development, demolition and/or reconstruction of Bruce Hall
b. the development and/or extension of University Avenue to Clunies Ross Street
c. the development and/or construction of a new hall of residence along Daley Road, except those documents relating primarily to the recently constructed SA5 building
d. the ten alternative sites reported by the Vice Chancellor to have been considered by the Australian National University for the development of a new hall of residence along Daley Road. You refer to the Vice Chancellor's blog postdated 10 March 2016 in which he stated "The University looked at the car park sites both north and of the existing Bruce Hall site. Both sites have deficiencies such as planning height restrictions, difficult shapes and light
and shade issues. Over 10 different site placements and configurations were evaluated, and the existing Bruce Hall site offered the best design options.”

As the Freedom of Information I have decided to refuse your Freedom of Information request as a practical refusal reason still exists because:

- Your request for information asks for any written documents, emails, reports, records, meeting notes, correspondence or memoranda produced by 10 people and 3 committees. An estimate of time to search for and locate the documents relevant to your request is in excess of 500 hours.

- That the work involved in processing your revised request would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of this agency from its other operations due to the time it would take to locate documents and then examine those documents to make an FOI Decision.

If you wish to discuss this decision, please contact me using the details below.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

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Your review rights

If you are dissatisfied with my decision, you may apply for internal review or Information Commissioner review of the decision. We encourage you to seek internal review as a first step as it may provide a more rapid resolution of your concerns.

Application for Internal Review of Decision

Section 54A of the Act, gives you the right to apply for an internal review of my decision.

It must be made in writing within 30 days of 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.

The application should be addressed to:

Executive Director (Administration & Planning)
Building 10
The Australian National University
Canberra ACT 2601

Or via email: edap@anu.edu.au

Application for Information Commissioner Review of decision

Under section 54L of the FOI Act, you may apply to the Australian Information Commissioner to review my decision. An application 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.business.gov.au/aba/oaic/foi-review/
- email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au
- post: GPO Box 2999, Canberra ACT 2601
- in person: Level 3, 175 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW