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CRICOS Provider No. 00120C

Dear [Redacted Name],

**Freedom of Information Request 202000022**

On 28 May 2020, the Australian National University received your request seeking access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the Act).

1. **Scope of Request**

   The University has taken your request for access to documents to be:

   *The number of students graduating with a Bachelor’s Degree in Law (LLB) in each mid-year and end-year cohort from 2014 to 2020, including a break-down of the students being awarded Honours classes 1A, 2A and 2B:*
   
   - Date range: 2014-2019
   - College involved: ANU College of Law
   - Document type: data/statistical records

   The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a decision on your request for access under the Act.

2. **Authority to Make Decision**

   I am an officer authorised under section 23 of the Act to make decisions in respect of requests to access documents or to amend or annotate records.

3. **Relevant Material**

   In reaching my decision I referred to the following:

   - The terms of your request
   - Documents relevant to the request
   - Advice from University staff with responsibility for matters relating to the documents to which you sought access
   - The Act
   - Guidelines published by the Office of the Information Commissioner (OAIC) under section 93A of the Act (the FOI Guidelines)

4. **Decision**

   As the Freedom of Information (FOI) delegate I find that:
• a search was conducted of the records of the University for documents within the scope of your request and 1 document was located that relates to your request.

The decision in relation to the document in the possession of the University which falls within the scope of your request is as follows:

• 1 document is partially released with deletions under section 22 (irrelevant material)

My findings of fact and reasons for deciding that section 22 applies to the document in question are set out below.

4.1 Section 22 of the Act – Irrelevant to request, impractical to provide edited version of document

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 contains material that is outside the scope of your request, and these parts of the document have been redacted accordingly, in accordance with section 22 of the Act.

The redacted material contains information related to a report generated by the University. No information, which relates to you or your request, was identified in the redacted parts of the document. Accordingly, the information was deemed irrelevant and therefore excluded from disclosure.

Please note that the University does not use a grading class of ‘1A’. A and B divisions are only applied to honours class 2 results. For further information regarding the University’s grading scale, please access the University website at https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/assessments-exams/grading-scale.
A copy of the document schedule and the document released under the Act are enclosed with this letter.

As the cost of processing your request was inconsequential, I have decided not to impose charges on this occasion.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this decision further, please contact me at foi@anu.edu.au.

Yours sincerely

David Brumby
FOI Coordinator
Your review rights

If you are dissatisfied with my decision, you may apply for internal review or Information Commissioner review. 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:

Chief Operating Officer
Office of the Vice-Chancellor
Building 10
The Australian National University
Canberra ACT 2601

Or via email: coo@anu.edu.au

Application for Information Commissioner Review of decision

Under section 54L of the Act, you may apply to the OAIC 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.