

From: s 22
To: FOI
Cc: s 22
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Request 2033 - Notice of Decision [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 10 November 2020 9:33:20 AM

Hi s 22 Please see my suggested reply below. s 22

Dear s
47F

The Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth) (FOI Act) does not authorise a Commonwealth entity to transfer an FOI request to a State or Territory entity. It is open to you to make a request to the relevant State or Territory entity.

Please advise by COB Thursday 12 November 2020, whether you would like the department to treat the following comment in your email below as a new FOI request under the FOI Act:

I will now require ALL communications pertinent to this request. This includes, but is not limited to: internal/external messages & emails, transcripts, phone conversations, etc.

From: FOI <FOI@health.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 10 November 2020 9:13 AM
To: s 22
Cc: s 22
Subject: FW: Freedom of Information Request 2033 - Notice of Decision [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22

Yesterday we received the following email from s 47F of Right to Know. I have noted my proposed responses below.

Kind regards,

s 22

-----Original Message-----

From: s 47F
Sent: Monday, 9 November 2020 4:24 PM
To: FOI <FOI@health.gov.au>
Subject: Re: Freedom of Information Request 2033 - Notice of Decision [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear FOI,

You have sent me the exact same information. This In my last inquiry, I very clearly stated:

"If any or all of the above are not available to this department, I would respectfully ask that you transfer this request to the most relevant department."

Under section 19 of the FOIA act, it is not unreasonable to expect the department of health to transfer this request to the most relevant department of which this request can be actioned.

You have chosen not to transfer this request.

The implication of this outcome as such has me wondering why the Department of Health has not done ANY statistical analysis of COVID-19 deaths.

Which department is able to action my request? Please transfer this request to them.

I will ask this next question as clearly and articulated as I can, and I do request a formal response:

Has the department of Health done ANY statistical analysis of COVID-19 deaths?

Lastly, as a result of the outcome of this request:

I will now require ALL communications pertinent to this request. This includes, but is not limited to: internal/external messages & emails, transcripts, phone conversations, etc.

Yours sincerely,

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47F

-----Original Message-----

Dear ^S
47F

Please find attached correspondence in relation to your FOI request to the Department of Health.

Kind regards

FOI Unit – FOI and Legislation Support Section

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s 47F

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