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THE TREASURY

Reference: 20210425

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Dear [redacted]

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received on 10 September 2021. You requested:

- 1) *From 1 January to 30 June 2021, how many OIA requests did your agency receive?*
- 2) *From 1 January to 30 June 2021, what was the average OIA response time (including any extension time)?*
- 3) *From 1 January to 30 June 2021, what was the longest OIA response time (including any extension time)?*
- 4) *From 1 January to 30 June 2021, what percentage of OIAs required a time extension?*
- 5) *From 1 January to 30 June 2021, what percentage of OIAs were refused?*
- 6) *From 1 January to 30 June 2021, what percentage of OIAs were partially refused or redacted?*

Information being released

1. From 1 January to 30 June 2021, the Treasury received 265 OIA requests.
2. The average OIA response time from 1 January to 30 June 2021 (including any extension time) is not captured in the Treasury's reporting system. Manually compiling this data would require substantial Treasury time and resources. Therefore, I am refusing this part of your request under 18(f) of the Official Information Act – the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.
3. The longest OIA response time from 1 January to 30 June 2021 (including any extension time) is not captured in the Treasury's reporting data. Manually compiling this data would require substantial Treasury time and resources. Therefore, I am also refusing this part of your request under 18(f) of the Official Information Act – the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

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4. From 1 January to 30 June 2021, 22 percent of OIA requests received required a time extension.
5. From 1 January to 30 June 2021, 20 percent of OIAs replied to were refused in full. Please note, this also includes OIAs received before 1 January 2021 but replied to during the time period 1 January 2021 to 30 June 2021.
6. Partial refusal of OIAs is not captured in the Treasury's reporting system. Manually compiling this data would require substantial Treasury time and resources. Therefore, I am refusing this part of your request under 18(f) of the Official Information Act – the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

From 1 January to 30 June 2021, a total of 248 OIAs were replied to, including transfers to other organisations. Again, please note these replies also included OIAs received before 1 January 2021, but replied to during the time period 1 January 2021 to 30 June. Of these replies, 26 percent contained redactions of substantive material. Almost all OIA replies had officials' details, such as phone numbers or, occasionally, email addresses redacted. The Treasury treats these as having been released in full.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and enclosed documents may be published on the Treasury website.

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely



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