



**FOI 259/17/18 STATEMENT OF REASONS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT**

1. I refer to the application by [REDACTED] under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act), for access to:

*Any documents that show the distribution of random drug tests across the days of the week over the past three years - that is, how many tests were conducted on a Monday, a Tuesday and so on.*

**FOI decision maker**

2. I am the authorised officer pursuant to section 23 of the FOI Act to make a decision on this FOI request.

**Documents identified**

3. One document, consisting of 216 pages was generated under section 17 of the FOI Act, best matching the description of the request.

**Decision**

4. I have decided to release the document in full.

**Material taken into account**

5. In making my decision, I had regard to:
- the terms of the request;
  - the content of the identified document in issue;
  - relevant provisions in the FOI Act;
  - the Guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act (the Guidelines); and
  - advice received from Directorate Navy Alcohol and Other Drugs Services.

**Further Information**

6. Each line entry on the document represents a drug test on a single individual.

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