

4 December 2013

Mr [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

**Request for access to documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the Act)**

1. I refer to your request of 13 November 2013 for access to information held by Defence Housing Australia under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)*.
2. I am an officer authorised under section 23 of the FOI Act to make decisions in respect of requests for access to documents. My decision and the reasons for that decision are set out below.

**Background**

3. On 13 November 2013 you lodged a Freedom of Information (FOI) request by email, in which you have sought access to information, as below:

*'I am an ex adf member. Pmkeys [REDACTED]. I would like to obtain a record of all residential address's lived in while gaining rent assistance and married quarters lived in. It is for a security clearance I am applying for and I need accurate dates etc.'*

4. I acknowledged receipt of this request on 14 November 2013.

**Legislative background**

5. The Act provides a right of access to information in the possession of Commonwealth agencies, limited only by exceptions and exemptions provided for in the Act.

**Decision**

6. I have identified a document (Document 1) as falling within the parameters of this part of your request. I have decided to release a copy of this document with redactions under section 22(1)(c) of the FOI Act.

**Material on which my findings are based**

7. I based my findings on the following material:

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- the content of the identified documents;
- the relevant provisions of the FOI Act;
- the guidelines published by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner under section 93A of the FOI Act (OAIC Guidelines);
- advice from DHA staff whose duties relate more closely to the matters referred to in the document; and
- the content of your FOI request.

### **Liability to pay charges**

8. I have decided not to impose any charges.

### **Rights of review**

9. If you do not agree with my decision in relation to the release of documents you are entitled to apply for an internal review of the decision and/or an external review by the Australian Information Commissioner. Information on your review rights is at Attachment B.

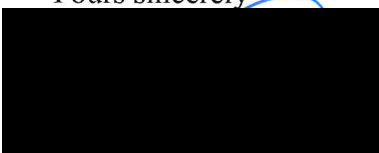
### **FOI Disclosure Log**

10. In accordance with the requirements of Section 11C of the FOI Act, Defence Housing Australia is required to publish, on its website, information released under the FOI Act within 10 working days of the applicant being given access to documents. Defence Housing Australia will also publish the decision notice, with any personal and business information deleted. The information published does not include personal information or the business, commercial, financial or professional affairs of any person if publication of that information would be unreasonable. Other information not published also includes that which the Australian Information Commissioner determines is unreasonable to publish.

### **Further information**

11. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this matter.

Yours sincerely



**Pip Sackley**  
**Executive Officer**

### **Attachments:**

- A. Schedule of Documents.  
B. FOI Fact Sheet 12 – Freedom of information – Your review rights.