

Freedom of Information Publication Coversheet

The following information is provided pursuant to section 28 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016*.

FOI Reference: CMTEDDFOI 2019-220

Information to be published	Status
1. Access application	Published
2. Decision notice	Published
3. Documents and schedule	Published
4. Additional information identified	No
5. Fees	N/A
6. Processing time (in working days)	6
7. Decision made by Ombudsman	N/A
8. Additional information identified by Ombudsman	N/A
9. Decision made by ACAT	N/A
10. Additional information identified by ACAT	N/A

From:

CMTEDD FOI

Subject: Freedom of Information request

Date: Wednesday, 18 September 2019 4:06:34 PM

Please find online enquiry details below. Please ensure this enquiry is responded to within fourteen working days.

Your details

All fields are optional, however an email address OR full postal address must be provided for us to process your request. An email address and telephone contact number will assist us to contact you quickly if we need to discuss your request.

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First Name:
Last Name:
Business/Organisation
Address:
Suburb:
Postcode:
State/Territory:
Phone/mobile:
Email address:

Request for information

(Please provide as much detail as possible, for example subject matter and relevant dates, and also provide details of documents that you are not interested in.)

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2016 I want to access the following document/s (*required field):

*Any documentation, correspondence and/or letters between Access Canberra and the association at The Free Serbian Orthodox Church of St George in Canberra Diocese for Aust. and N.Z. Inc. regarding a meeting that the two parties had with each other around 31st July 2019. It had to do with the matter of requesting exemptions to the Incorporations Act and it's mandatory AGM requirements along with other things. *I would also like to request any documentation lodged by the same association to Access Canberra on and/or after the 14th September 2019 regarding the holding of an extraordinary general meeting - such as Annual Return forms to lodge audited financial statements for the previous year etc. for registration with them. Including any explanatory letters. Vice versa, I would also like to request any response written back to the association regarding the lodgement of these documents and their compliance, or lack there of... Thank You Very Much.

I do not want to access the following documents in relation to my request::

Thank you.

Freedom of Information Coordinator



Our ref: CMTEDDFOI 2019-220

via email:	
Dear	

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 18 September 2019, in which you sought access to:

"Any documentation, correspondence and/or letters between Access Canberra and the association at The Free Serbian Orthodox Church of St George in Canberra Diocese for Aust. And N.Z. Inc. regarding a meeting that the two parties had with each other around 31st July 2019. It had to do with the matter of requesting exemptions to the Incorporations Act and it's mandatory AGM requirements along with other things. *I would also like to request any documentation lodged by the same association to Access Canberra on and/or after the 14th September 2019 regarding the holding of an extraordinary general meeting - such as Annual Return forms to lodge audited financial statements for the previous year etc. for registration with them. Including any explanatory letters. Vice versa, I would also like to request any response written back to the association regarding the lodgement of these documents and their compliance, or lack thereof".

Authority

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act.

Timeframes

In accordance with section 40 of the Act, CMTEDD is required to provide a decision on your access application by 17 October 2019.

Decision on access

A search of CMTEDD records has failed to identify any documentation in relation to your request. The search was conducted using the information you provided, including enquiries with the Fair Trading and Compliance and Community, Industry and Trader Licensing teams within Access Canberra.

Accordingly, I am satisfied that appropriate searches were completed and that no documents relevant to your request are held by CMTEDD.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable for this request because no information is being released to you.

Online publishing - Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the Act, CMTEDD maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. A description of your access application and my decision will be published in the CMTEDD disclosure log 3 days after the date of my decision. Your personal contact details will not be published.

You may view the CMTEDD disclosure log at https://www.cmtedd.act.gov.au/functions/foi/disclosure-log.

Ombudsman Review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek a review by the Ombudsman of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in the CMTEDD disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601

via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) Review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made by the Ombudsman under section 82(1), you may apply to the ACAT for a review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal Level 4, 1 Moore St GPO Box 370 Canberra City ACT 2601 Telephone: (02) 6207 1740

http://www.acat.act.gov.au/

Should you have any queries in relation to your request please contact me by telephone on 6207 7754 or by email at CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah McBurney

Information Officer

Information Access Team

Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

26 September 2019