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PM&C Ref: C23/052

Dear **s22**

Thank you for consulting the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) on this FOI request. Please see below advice provided by PM&C's Cabinet Division (in conjunction with relevant Line Areas) regarding your consultation request.

**Schedule of Cabinet Documents for  
 PM&C Consideration**

Department: Department of Finance  
 FOI Title and Number: FOI 22-23/025 PM&C Ref: C23/052

Doc No	Document Date	Description - author & addressee, title	No of pages	Dept/Agency advice on relationship to Cabinet Process	Cabinet exemptions claimed	Pages exempt in full/Exempt in part	Cabinet reference number/Date of consideration by Cabinet	Was document produced for the dominant purpose of Cabinet consideration?	Has deliberation or decision of Cabinet been officially disclosed or published?	Is the material for which exemption is claimed purely factual material?	PM&C Comments in relation to exemption claim
1	<b>s 34(2)</b>	Green Brief	68 (2 pages in scope - page 6 and 54)	Finance briefing to support ERC's decision making on a Cabinet Submission	s34(1)(a) and s34(3)	Full	<b>s 34(2)</b>	Yes	No	No	<b>s 47C</b>  <b>s 34(2)</b>  <b>s 47C</b>

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If there is anything further you need please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

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The Department acknowledges and pays respect to the past, present and emerging Elders and Traditional Custodians of Country, and the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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Dear FOI Colleagues,

### Consultation on proposed Cabinet exempt documents – FOI 22-23/025

On **3 March 2023**, the Department of Finance (Finance) received a request for the following documents under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act):

Any briefing or analysis provided by the Department of Finance to the Minister for Finance since 22 May 2022, that relates to the recommendations of the independent Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC) to increase the maximum dispensed quantities on selected Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) items from one month's supply to two months' supply.

#### Document identified

In considering the FOI request, Finance has determined that one document (a Green Brief) which meets the scope of the FOI request contain information that is exempt under section 34 of the FOI Act.

We kindly ask that the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet review the documents and advise whether you support the application of the Cabinet exemption sought to each document.

#### Requested response date

To ensure that Finance can meet our clearance timeframes, we kindly seek your response by **17:00 Friday 24 March 2023**.

Please contact Finance FOI Team on the below details if you would like to discuss this request further.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Kind regards

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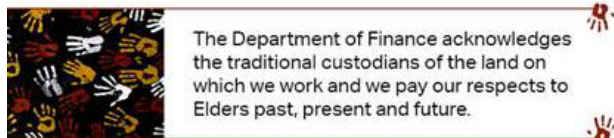
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