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Subject: RE: FOI 22-23/025 - Update from PMC [SEC=OFFICIAL]
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Attachments: [FOI 22-23-025 - PMC response to Cabinet exemption.pdf](#)
[image003.png](#)

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Good morning Chris

We have received a response (**attached**) from PMC confirming that they support a Cabinet (s 34(1)(a)) exemption over the document. We will proceed with drafting a decision letter for your consideration.

I note that the decision is due to the applicant on 3 April 2023.

Kind regards

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Thanks very much s .

Chris and Christine – we have sent a consultation email to PMC on the application of the Cabinet exemption to page 6 and 54. The other pages we have redacted under section 22 of the FOI (irrelevant material). We will advise you when we receive a response from PMC.

Kind regards

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Hello s 22 [redacted]

I have just copied the relevant Green Brief into the folder. See PDF pages 6 and 54, or search for the string 'dispens'.

Let us know if you require anything further.

Kind Regards

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Good afternoon Chris and Christine

Thanks for attending the scoping meeting to discuss this request, the next steps are set out below:

Next steps

- Please save a copy of document(s) relevant to the request in SharePoint – [FOI 22-23/025 s22 \[redacted\] \(Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee\) - Documents \(finance.gov.au\)](#)
 - As you mentioned, it is likely that one document (a Green Brief) falls within the scope of this request.
- The FOI team will then review the document(s), and consider whether the document does in fact fall within the scope of the request.
- If within scope, the FOI Team will consider the application of the Cabinet exemption (section 34 of the FOI Act) or adverse effect on the proper and efficient conduct of the operations of an agency exemption (section 34 of the FOI Act).
- The FOI team will discuss the application of the Cabinet exemption with PMC.

- The FOI team will confirm your decision to release/exempt/redact the document before preparing a draft decision letter.

Happy to discuss the matter further.

Kind regards

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