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Good afternoon,

Please find **attached** letter sent to Mr Peter [REDACTED] today, Friday 13 January 2023.

Kind regards,



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ACT Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions

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13 January 2023

Mr Peter [REDACTED]
Executive General Manager Corporate
ACT Policing
Australian Federal Police
Via email: [REDACTED] [@afp.gov.au](mailto:[REDACTED]@afp.gov.au)

Dear Mr [REDACTED],

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION RELEASE TO THE GUARDIAN

Thank you for causing it to be brought to my attention that on 7 December 2022, my office released a letter under our Freedom of Information obligations to The Guardian, and due to an internal communication and training issue we omitted to consult the AFP as a third party before disclosing the document. I further understand your request for consultation before placing the relevant document on the public interest disclosure log went unanswered.

On Monday 12 December 2022 key members of our office underwent training with the Justice and Community Safety Directorate Information Officer, and further training has been scheduled. This has resulted in a review of our FOI policies and procedures that I am confident has addressed the cause of both errors. We apologise for any embarrassment this error may have caused the AFP through the lack of consultation prior to the release of the document, and the failure to respond to your request for discussion prior to publishing on the public disclosure log.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Shane Drumgold SC
Director - ACT Director of Public Prosecutions