

Information Request: 17/7980/1

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Dear Mr Holmes,

Official Information Act 1982 request

I refer to your email to Police dated 29 July 2017 where you made a request under the Official Information Act 1982 for the following:

"a CSV or Excel file relating to all AOS callouts within the last five years — 1st July 2012 to 30th of June 2017.

I would like the file to contain the following columns:

Year, Month, City, Suburb (if applicable), Weapon Discharged (yes/no)"

I have considered your request in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982, and have attached an Excel spreadsheet to meet your request.

The attached spreadsheet includes data for AOS deployments between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2017. The data includes the following columns:

Year, month, Incident Area, Incident District, Callout type (emergency or pre-planned), and Shots fired.

The AOS database does not have fields for the incident city and suburb. Therefore, your request for the city and suburb is refused pursuant to section 18(g) of the Official Information Act 1982, as "the information requested is not held". As such, your request would require analysis of qualitative data, which may be incomplete, to generate new data in the form that you request. However, the incident area and district have been provided to facilitate your request.

The data also includes the Shots Fired column instead of Weapons Discharged (yes/no), as your request did not specify whether you were requesting discharges of Police weapons or discharges of subject weapons. The Shots Fired column provides information for both. I have also included the Callout type as your request did not specify whether you were interested in all AOS deployments, planned deployments, or emergency deployments.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely,

Superintendent Chris Scahill

National Manager: Response and Operations