## **FOI REQUEST NO. LS4932**

## Originally

- 1. documents comprising the booth level voting statistics for the following federal by-elections which are not covered by any currently available publication of the AEC:
  - Groom, 9 April 1988
  - Oxley, 8 October 1988
  - Gwydir, 15 April 1989
  - Wills, 11 April 1992
  - Werriwa, 29 January 1994
  - Mackellar, 26 March 1994
  - Warringah, 26 March 1994
  - Canberra, 25 March 1995
  - Fraser, 1 February 1997
  - Isaacs, 12 August 2000
  - Cunningham, 19 October 2002; and
- 2. a level of data requested is a similar level to that provided for general elections by the V3\_4 files on the AEC 1993-1998 CD-ROM, or the "Election Statistics" 1984-1993 statistics books.

## **RELEVANT DOCUMENTS**

Document No.	Description	Date	Recommendation/Decision
1	Excel workbook containing booth level voting statistics, where available, for the following House of Representatives by-elections:		Document No 1 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt material.
	<ul> <li>(a) Groom, 9 April 1988</li> <li>(b) Oxley, 8 October 1988</li> <li>(c) Gwydir, 15 April 1989</li> <li>(d) Wills, 11 April 1992</li> <li>(e) Werriwa, 29 January 1994</li> <li>(f) Mackellar, 26 March 1994</li> <li>(g) Warringah, 26 March 1994</li> <li>(h) Canberra, 25 March 1995</li> <li>(i) Fraser, 1 February 1997</li> <li>(j) Isaacs, 12 August 2000</li> <li>(k) Cunningham, 19 October 2002.</li> </ul>		I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No. 1.  I decided to give access in full to Document No. 1.
2	Statement showing result of Scrutiny of First Preference Votes for the Division of Groom by-election 9 April 1988		Document No 2 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt material.  I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No.2.  I decided to give access in full to

		Document No. 2.
3	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Oxley of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the by-election	Document No 3 is a return signed by the Divisional Returning Officer.
	on 8 October 1988	Consideration of the risk of identity theft indicates that it would be unreasonable to release a facsimile of the signature. This is so. Despite a lapse of 26 years from the date the document was signed.
		Document No 3 contains no other exempt or conditionally exempt material.
		I <b>recommend</b> that you decide to refuse to release Document No 3 and offer in lieu to issue an edited version in which the facsimile of the signature of the Divisional Returning Officer is redacted.
		I decide to refuse access to Document No 3 and to offer in lieu access to an edited version of the document in which the facsimile of the signature of the Divisional Returning Officer is redacted.
4	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Gwydir of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the by-	Document No 4 is a return signed by the Divisional Returning Officer.
	election on 14 April 1989	Consideration of the risk of identity theft indicates that it would be unreasonable to release a facsimile of

			the signature. This is so. Despite a lapse of 26 years from the date the document was signed.  Document No 4 contains no other exempt or conditionally exempt material.  I recommend that you decide to refuse to release Document No 4 and offer in lieu to issue an edited version in which the facsimile of the signature of the Divisional Returning Officer is redacted.  I decide to refuse access to Document No 4 and to offer in lieu access to an edited version of the document in which the facsimile of the signature of the Divisional Returning Officer is redacted.
5	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Wills of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the by-election on 11 April 1992 with manuscript annotation.	16/05/1994	Document No 5 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt material.  I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No. 5.  I decided to give access in full to Document No. 5.
6	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Mackellar of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the	16/05/1994	Document No 6 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt

	by-election on 26 March 1994 with manuscript annotation.		I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No. 6.  I decided to give access in full to Document No. 6.
7	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Canberra of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the by-election on 25 March 1995 with manuscript annotation.	17/02/1997 07:22:04	Document No 7 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt material.  I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No. 7.  I decided to give access in full to Document No. 7.
8	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Fraser of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the by-election on 1 February 1997 with manuscript annotation.		Document No 9 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt material.  I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No. 9.  I decided to give access in full to Document No. 9
9	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Isaacs of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the by-election on 12 August 2000 with manuscript annotation.	29/08/2000 13:34:22	Document No 9 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt material.  I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No. 9.

			I decided to give access in full to Document No. 9.
10	Return by the Divisional Returning Officer, Division of Cunningham of the votes counted in the fresh scrutiny for the by-election on 12 August 2000 with manuscript annotation.	28/10/202 16:06:05	Document No 10 does not contain any exempt or conditionally exempt material.
			I recommend that you decide to give access in full to Document No.10.
			I decided to give <b>access in full</b> to Document No. 10.

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