Your Ref:

Our Ref; 21-0762

Enquiries:

Telephone: 7322 3347

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Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Act application

In reference to your application made pursuant to the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 1991, access was sought to:

"Purchase order requests, detailed reciepts (sic) and rembursement (sic) requests from any member of SAPOL regarding the acquisition of all "Gel Blasters" as well as the addresses of retailers who have sold a "Gel Blaster" to SAPOL or a person/member on behalf of SAPOL."

On 19 October 2020 I spoke with you via telephone to clarify the scope of your request. You advised that you had viewed a South Australia Police (SAPOL) media release in which Superintendent Howard 'claimed' that he had legally purchased Gel Blasters from a retailer. You clarified you sought access to a copy of the purchase receipt, purchase order or any document that shows where the Gel Blasters were purchased or ascertained. You further claimed that you were of the belief that the Gel Blasters were not purchased by SAPOL conversely they were seized as you claimed that some of the Gel Blasters in the media release could not be purchased in South Australia. During a second telephone call this date I asked you to identify the media release you referred to.

On 27 October 2020 via email you confirmed the media release you had referred to was aired on 6 October 2020 and could be found at the following link:

https://m.youtube.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR3wanAIDV5Cgv26EmiUtJju1OQRwINBFXAmdmH58yH2tsyzyhQZEqChpV0&v=eipEpQ-_k64

SAPOL has located a document that falls within the scope of your request. The document is numbered and described in the following schedule. The schedule contains the details of the determination in compliance with section 23. In particular, note the grounds on which access has been refused, including the reasons which are contained in the schedule.

Pursuant to section 26 of the FOI Act, this office consulted with a third party to seek their views regarding the disclosure of their personal affairs to you. Pursuant to section 27 of the FOI Act, this office consulted with a business to seek their views as to whether or not the document is an exempt document by virtue of clause 7 of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act. As at the date of this determination SAPOL has not received a response from the consultees.



SA POLICE - FREEDOM OF INFORMATION UNIT SCHEDULE				
No.	Document Description	Status	Act	Reason
1	EFTPOS receipt and Store Receipt/Tax Invoice dated 11 April 2019.	Part Release	Clauses: 6(1) 7(1)(c)	A portion of the redacted text is the personal affairs of parties other than The exempt information relates to a third party name and details regarding their employment. I am of the view, in all of the circumstances, that disclosure of such information is unreasonable. A portion of the redacted text is information concerning business affairs. The exempt information relates to the name and address of a business as well as the identity of their banking institution. Disclosure could reasonably be expected to have an adverse effect on those affairs. I am of the view that disclosure would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

CLAUSES FOR REFUSAL

Clause 6(1) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act which states:

"A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead)."

Clause 7(1)(c) of Schedule 1 of the FOI Act which states:

"A document is an exempt document (c) if it contains matter (i) consisting of information (other than trade secrets or information referred to in paragraph (b)) concerning the business, professional, commercial or financial affairs of any agency or any other person; and (ii) the disclosure of which—(A) could reasonably be expected to have an adverse effect on those affairs or to prejudice the future supply of such information to the Government or to an agency; and (B) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest."

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your FOI application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published on the SAPOL website Disclosure Log. A copy of PC045 can be found at https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Log-Policy.pdf. If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing by 23 December 2020.

Your rights to review

If you are dissatisfied with the determination for access to SAPOL records, you are entitled to exercise your right of internal review in accordance with section 29(1) of the FOI Act by completing a PD362 Application for Internal Review form which can be downloaded from https://www.police.sa.gov.au/services-and-events/freedom-of-information or available upon request at your nearest police station. Alternatively an application may be made in writing to the SAPOL Freedom of Information Unit.

This application must be lodged within 30 days from the date of this determination with a fee of \$37.50. Such a fee may be waived in the event of an exemption being claimed.

Yours sincerely,

Senior Sergeant First Class Tracy
Officer in Charge

Freedom of Information Unit

(Accredited Freedom of Information Officer)

/3 November 2020

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Thu, 11 Apr 19, 11:30am
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