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Department/Agency: TREASURY
Question: AET 3377 - 3381
Topic: Freedom of Information Stats
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Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

3377. How many FOI requests were received to date.

3378. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act?

3379. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act?

3380. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act?

3381. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?

Answer:

3377. 47 FOI requests were received by Treasury during the period 14 September 2015 and 19 February 2016.

3378. Nine requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act.

3379. Extensions of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act were granted for ten requests.

3380. Extensions of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act were granted for two requests.

3381. Three requests were finalised out of time.

Note that of the 47 requests received 24 requests were finalised. The other 23 requests either remained active as at 19 February 2016, were withdrawn or were transferred to another agency.