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Mr Christopher Binse
Barwon Prison

Dear Mr Binse

Freedom of Information (FOI reference 104187)

The following is my decision on your request under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the FOI Act).

Request

The terms of your request are:

That I seek confirmation of formal complaint registered \ lodged by 'V. L. A, solicitor Ms Sarah Westwood & Saul Holt QC'. That they 'both had received threatening mail sent by me', and as a consequence, 'notified Corrections Victoria' providing them with a copy, which determined & supported their plea. Content, being 'threatening? & 'abusive' validating a 'mail ban' 'imposed at their request'. Which needs to be aired, and referred to in my Affidavits which are to be prepared for the Supreme Courts of Victoria. This is on Corrections Victoria file, documented & recorded 'between May- July 2015'.

Sending the following missives in response to my aggrieved legal position coming to light:

Sarah Westwood 14. 05. 2015,

Sarah Westwood 22. 05. 2015,

Sarah Westwood 24. 05. 2015,

Sarah Westwood 3.07.2015.

Causing both Sarah Westwood & Saul Holt QC to make 'formal complaints lodged with Corrections Victoria ', in a mail ban imposed, due to the angry abusive contents sent to them.

Decision

Pursuant to section 27(2)(b) of the Act, I neither confirm nor deny the existence of any document which may be held on or contained within the prison intelligence database. It is my view that such information, if it existed, would be exempt from disclosure under section 31 of the Act, including any advice confirming or denying the existence of such information.

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If you have any queries, please contact this office by email at foi@justice.vic.gov.au or by writing to the mailing address shown at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Catherine Castro

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