AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 1989

VARIATION OF DECLARATION AND DETERMINATION OF FEES AND CHARGES SET OUT IN DETERMINATION NO. 132 OF 1995

NO. 168 OF 1996

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Under subsection 4(6) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1989* a declaration may be made that application fees are payable in respect of a request for access to a document or for an internal review of a decision and under subsection 80(1) of that Act a determination may be made of the fees and charges payable. This instrument varies the present Declaration and Determination which are set out in Determination No. 132 of 1995 dated 19 September 1995 and notified in Australian Capital Territory Gazette No. S242 of 21 September 1995.

This instrument varies the Declaration and Determination to provide that fees and charges are not payable in respect of an application under the Freedom of Information Act made by an Aboriginal person or a Torres Strait Islander for the purpose of assisting that person to re-establish community or family links with those people from whom he or she was separated as a result of past policies of an Australian government.

Revenue/cost implications

The number of applications relevant to these variations is not known at this stage but the revenue/cost implications are not likely to be significant.

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