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From: RAM Access Applications
Sent: Thursday, 16 February 2023 3:30 PM
To: [REDACTED]@protonmail.com
Subject: Acknowledgement of receipt of application RK23/00002821, 7016157

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Confirmation of Receipt of application for access

Thank you for your application under section 40 of the Archives Act 1983 for access to the following item:

Application receipt number:	RK23/00002821
Title:	Appointment of Sir Zelman Cowen, CMG, QC as Governor-General of Australia - visit November 1977
Series no:	A3211
Control symbol:	1977/1634
Barcode no:	7016157
Date submitted:	16/02/2023
Date due:	30/06/2023

How long will my application take?

If you have current applications for 25 or fewer items:

The Archives Act requires the Archives to notify applicants of a decision on an application as soon as practicable and no later than 90 business days after receipt of your application, unless you agree to an extended period.

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For further information relating to the release of records under the Archives Act, please refer to the following Fact Sheets. For general information about access to records, please visit our website www.naa.gov.au.

[Fact Sheet 10 - Access to Records under the Archives Act](#)

[Fact sheet 12 - What to do if we refuse you access](#)

[Fact sheet 46 - Why we refuse access](#)

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To: [REDACTED]@protonmail.com
Subject: National Archives Access Application RK23/00002821 7016157

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Ref: RK23/00002821

Dear Researcher

On 16 February 2023 you submitted an application for access to:

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Series: A3211
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Date due: 30/06/2023

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As we have not been able to notify you of a decision by the due date, please refer to our fact sheet on [your avenues for appeal](#). However, please be assured that we will continue to process your application and will notify you of a decision when examination is completed. You can cancel your application by logging into "My account" via RecordSearch and selecting "My applications". Alternatively, you can advise that you no longer require the record by contacting:

National Reference Service
PO Box 7425
Canberra Business Centre ACT 2610
AUSTRALIA

Email: ref@naa.gov.au

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From: s 47F(1) on behalf of reference transfers
Sent: Tuesday, 15 April 2025 2:47 PM
To: s 7(2A)
Subject: S40 Application for Access Job no 2025/356443, 2025/356669, 2025/392149 [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Attachments: 2025 359443.docx; 2025_00356669.docx; 2025 392149.docx

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Our reference: 2025/1; 2025/356443, 2025/356669, 2025/392149
Assistant Director
Public Research Section
ASIO

Please see the attachments to this email for the details of the Section 40 Applications.

If you have any enquiries regarding the above please contact me on 6212 3990.

For all email correspondence in relation to this request please send to: s 47E(d) @naa.gov.au

Kind regards

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APPLICATION FOR ACCESS

Application details

Access application job no: 2025/00356443
Application type: Fast-track for researcher
Reference inquiry job no: 2025/00417809
Agency controlling: CA 1297
Date submitted: 06-Mar-2025
Date due: 18-Jul-2025
Reference officer: s 47F(1)

Client Details

Comment: Participation in left-wing demonstrations in Melbourne, Brisbane, Canberra etc; associations with other persons under surveillance

Item Details

Series:	Control Symbol:	Barcode: 15695452
Title: FORWARD Roy Kenneth		
Access status:	Date of decision:	

NEW REQUEST

DOB: 13 February 1936

DATE RANGE: 1955 - 2025

STATE/LOCATION OF INTEREST: Melbourne; Brisbane; Canberra, Shanghai

Date Completed:

Completed by:

Completed by:



APPLICATION FOR ACCESS

Application details

Access application job no: 2025/00392149
Application type: Fast-track for researcher
Reference inquiry job no: 2025/00420388
Agency controlling: CA 1297
Date submitted: 14-Apr-2025
Date due: 25-Aug-2025
Reference officer: s 47F(1)

Client Details

Comment:

Item Details

Series: **Control Symbol:** **Barcode:** 15695501
Title: O'DEA Peter John
Access status: **Date of decision:**

NEW REQUEST

DOB: 5/03/1946

DATE RANGE: 1970 - 1995

STATE/LOCATION OF INTEREST: ACT

COMMENT: Member of the CPAML

Political activism

Anti-apartheid movement

Branch Secretary of the ACT Builders Labourers Federation

Date Completed:

Completed by:

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From: RAM Access Applications <ram.acap@naa.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 26 August 2025 7:33 PM
To: [REDACTED]@protonmail.com
Subject: National Archives Access Application NAA1/00420044 15695476



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Ref: NAA1/00420044

Dear Researcher

On 15 April 2025 you submitted an application for access to:

Title: Correspondence between Sir Charles C. F. Spry Director General of Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, and Richard Helms Director of Central Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency (USA), between August and October 1968, related to JFK assassination and release of documents.

Series:

Control symbol:

Item ID: 15695476

Date submitted: 15 April 2025

Date due: 26/08/2025

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From: s 47F(1) on behalf of reference transfers
Sent: Friday, 5 September 2025 9:36 AM
To: s 7(2A)
Subject: First follow up S40 Application for Access Job no 2025/356443, 2025/356669, 2025/392149 [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Attachments: 2025 359443.docx; 2025_00356669.docx; 2025 392149.docx

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Good morning,

The researchers for these applications have requested follow ups as the due dates have elapsed.

No deadlines were provided for these applications.

Kind regards,

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Subject: S40 Application for Access Job no 2025/356443, 2025/356669, 2025/392149 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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From: s 47F(1)
Sent: Friday, 19 September 2025 9:50 AM
To: s 47F(1); s 7(2A) s 47F(1)
Cc: s 47F(1)
Subject: RE: Query regarding Job No 2025/00356669 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good morning all

I have reviewed the s 7(2A)

I hope this is of assistance.

Kind regards

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From: s 47F(1) @naa.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 18 September 2025 5:50 PM
To: s 7(2A) >; s 47F(1) @naa.gov.au>; s 47F(1)
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 @naa.gov.au>; s 47F(1) @naa.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Query regarding Job No 2025/00356669 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s 7(2A), s 47F(1),

I have had a look at our privacy policy, and in my view, we can s 7(2A)

s 47F(1), does Reference Services have s 7(2A)

Thanks

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From: S 47F(1) @naa.gov.au> On Behalf Of reference transfers
Sent: Tuesday, 16 September 2025 4:23 PM

To: s 7(2A) >
Subject: RE: Query regarding Job No 2025/00356669 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good afternoon s 7(2A), s 47F(1),

We are not able to advise s 7(2A) due our privacy policy.

Kind regards,

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Request summary

Request #	NAA1000420044
Question	ASIO/INTELLIGENCE RECORDS
Item summary	N/A / N/A
Answer	Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your recent inquiry regarding security-related information. Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO) records are eligible for release under the Archives Act 1983 when they reach the open access period, subject to the exemption of any material of continuing sensitivity as prescribed by section 33 of the Act. ASIO records are generally only transferred to the Archives in response to applications for access under the Archives Act. I have submitted an application for access to information on the subject to ASIO:

Correspondence between Sir Charles C. F. Spry Director General of Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, and Richard Helms Director of Central Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency (USA), between August and October 1968, related to JFK assassination and release of documents.

You may have received an automated email confirmation. Under the Archives Act, we are required to respond to this application within 90 business days. The reference number is 2025/00356669.

Please be aware that we are required to publicly release any records located, subject to exemptions under section 33 of the Archives Act. Please advise us immediately if you do not wish records to be made publicly available and want to cancel your application. We will contact you as soon as a response is received. In the meantime please do not hesitate to contact the National Reference Service if we can be of any further assistance.

Kind regards,
Closed successful

Status

Tuesday, 15 April 2025 11:43 AM	 s 47F(1)	Closed by Staff Status: Closed successful Question progress: Completed Date closed: 15/04/2025 11:43 AM Item summary : N/A / N/A
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