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Australian Democrats (Queensland Division) Incorporated
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Dear 1

Notice under paragraph 133(1)(c) of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Electoral Act)

I refer to the written submission received by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) on 25 March 2019. This submission was received in response to the AEC's advertisement of an application made by the Australian Democrats to register as a non-Parliamentary party in the *Register of Political Parties* (the Register). In my capacity as delegate of the Electoral Commission and having considered all the material pertinent to this application, I approved the registration of the Australian Democrats on 7 April 2019.

This letter constitutes a notice under paragraph 133(1)(c) of the Electoral Act, which requires that I set out in this notice the reasons why I have rejected the particulars of your submission. The details of my reasons are set out in the attached document.

My decision to approve the registration of the Australian Democrats is a reviewable decision under s 141 of the Electoral Act. A person (including an organisation) affected by the decision may make a written application to the Electoral Commission for a review of the decision by an Electoral Commission delegate. A written application for review must be made within 28 days of the decision coming to your attention. The Electoral Commission comprises of the Electoral Commissioner, a judicial and a non-judicial member.

Under subsection 141(4) of the Electoral Act the Electoral Commission will review any applications for review and shall make a decision either:

- affirming the decision under review;
- varying the decision under review;
- setting aside the decision under review and making a decision in substitution for the decision so set aside.

Subsection 141(5) provides that any person dissatisfied with the outcome of the review by the Electoral Commission may request a further review by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

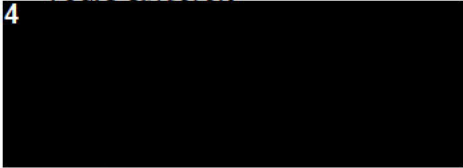
If you wish to make an application for review to the Electoral Commission please address your application to Mr Tom Rogers, Electoral Commissioner and email commission.secretariat@aec.gov.au or post to Locked Bag 4007, Canberra ACT 2601.

Under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (the 'FOI Act') any person has the right to request access to documents (except exempt documents) held by the AEC. For more information about access to documents under the FOI Act please visit the AEC's "Access to AEC information" webpage at: www.aec.gov.au/information-access/index.htm.

If you have any queries contact the AEC on 02 6271 4552 or email fad@aec.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Disclosure, Assurance and Engagement

7 April 2019

Freedom of Information Release

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- 16 Business information (internal operations) redacted.
- 17 Legal Professional Communication redacted.
- 18 Deliberative material redacted.
- 19 Irrelevant material redacted.
- 20 Electoral Roll material redacted.
- 21 Tests, examinations or audits material redacted.
- 22 Management or assessment of personnel material redacted.
- 23 Proper and efficient conduct of the operations of AEC material redacted.
- 24 Lawful methods or procedures for preventing, detecting, investigating, or dealing with matters arising out of, breaches or evasions of the law.