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Background

This document is in reply to a Freedom of Information (FOI) request dated 16 August 2020. The FOI request is outlined:

"1. Information concerning the number of reporting entities (including remittance service providers (however described) and virtual asset service providers (however described) registered with AUSTRAC during the financial years 2006-07 to 2019-20.

Please note this information is mentioned in some but not all of AUSTRAC's Annual Reports for the period 2006-07 to 2018-19 (noting the Annual Report for the period 2019-20 has not been published).

2. Information concerning the number of international incoming information exchanges (including spontaneous information exchanges) that AUSTRAC made or responded to, for the financial years 2016-17 to 2019-20.

3. Information concerning the number of international outgoing information exchanges (including spontaneous information exchanges) that AUSTRAC made or responded to, for the financial years 2016-17 to 2019-20.

Please note this information was previously published in AUSTRAC's Annual Reports to 2015-16, not subsequently. Please also note the total number of international information exchanged for the financial years 2016-17 to 2018-19 has been published in AUSTRAC's Annual Reports for these years.

4. Information concerning the total number of:

- (a) Suspicious matter reports (SMRs) under the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006 (AML/CTF Act); and*
- (b) Suspicious transaction reports (SUSTRs) (under the Financial Transaction Reports Act 1988); that were reported to AUSTRAC during the financial years 2016-17 to 2019-20.*

5. Information concerning the total number of:

- cross-border movement - physical currency - reports; and*
- cross-border movement- bearer negotiable instruments - reports;*

made under the AML/CTF Act during the financial years 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2019-20.

Please note this information was published in AUSTRAC's Annual Reports from 2006-07 to 2014-15 and from 2017-18 to 2018-19."

Current information – point 1

	Enrolled	Registrations – Remitters (Independent)	Registrations – Remitters (Network Providers)	Registrations – Remitters (Affiliates)	Registrations - DCEs
2006-07	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
2007-08	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
2008-09	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
2009-10	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
2010-11	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
2011-12	8,432	243	25	0	0
2012-13	13,386	469	71	5,129	0
2013-14	13,849	602	98	5,587	0
2014-15	13,927	562	85	5,343	0
2015-16	13,942	454	77	4,973	0
2016-17	14,210	537	82	4,976	0
2017-18	14,173	713	98	4,953	125
2018-19	14,825	859	112	4,731	263
2019-20	15,725	976	117	5,224	334

Current information – point 2

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
Incoming :	1,606	1,358	974	878

Current information – point 3

	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
Outgoing:	2,240	3,160	1,577	815

Current information – point 4

report type	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
SMR	71,669	120,665	244,329	264,158
SUSTR	2,444	5,019	2,126	512
Total	74,113	125,684	246,455	264,670

Current information – point 5

report type	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20
CBM-BNI	453	449	418	465	301
CBM-PC	49,413	41,950	48,333	44,784	33,001

NOTE: variations in volumes, etc. previously reported in other AUSTRAC documentation e.g. ANNUAL REPORT arise as a part of the ongoing efficacy processes within of AUSTRAC's systems; typically arising from retrospect corrections/adjustments made by reporting entities.