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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: Monday, 17 August 2026 4:31 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii) Paula
Brewer
Subject: Re: Brief for FM meeting with s 47F(1) [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Thanks s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I think that's right, as it is likely to focus on the investigation status. MAD have confirmed AS LEB will join, so should be appropriately covered.

Cheers,

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s 33(a)(iii) and s 33(b) .docx

Hi Julie

FM and MID briefs and remarks at the World Humanitarian Day event attached.

s 47E(d)

s 33(a)(iii) and s 33(b)

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Hope this helps for now. Talk tomorrow.

Cheers

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Thanks, s 22(1)(a) Much appreciated. We'll pass to Julie ahead of her joining JB at the FM pre-brief on Wed.

Cheers

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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Hi Julie

Just returning to this. I double-checked the reps log, recent cables, etc.

s 47C, s 47E(d)

s 33(a)(iii) and s 33(b)

s 33(a)(iii)

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Hi s 22(1)
s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I have only seen the media release. I'm copying colleagues from the Middle East division who may be able to assist you with the TPs.

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Good morning s 22(1)
s 22(1)(a)(ii)

AGO has requested updates to today's QTB to address the outcome of the IDF investigation into the death of Zomi Francom.

I have seen the Foreign Minister's press release, but wanted to check whether there are any DFAT TPs you'd be happy to share for QTB purposes.

Thank you.

Kind regards

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Thanks Neil. Will make those changes and send back.

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s 33(a)(iii)

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Subject: Re: IDF to announce the WCK case is closed [SEC= [REDACTED]]

Thanks s 22(1)(a)(ii)
We should note my meeting with MFA on this and their response. s 22(1)(a)(ii) drafting now.
Regards
Neil

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Subject: RE: IDF to announce the WCK case is closed [SEC= [REDACTED]]

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Hi Neil

Let me know if you want to add anything in from your meeting this afternoon on reps. I am taking my laptop home so can send the cable tonight if needed.

On 19 August 2026, Israel Defense Force (IDF) released the outcomes of its Fact Finding and Assessment Mechanism into the deaths of the World Central Kitchen employees, including Ms Frankcom, which state 'it was determined that there is no reasonable suspicion of criminal misconduct that would justify the opening of a criminal investigation or the taking of additional measures against any of those involved in the incident'. Full details of the findings can be found at <https://idfanc.activetrail.biz/ANC152468> s 47C, s 47E(d)

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Kind regards

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Subject: RE: IDF to announce the WCK case is closed [SE [REDACTED]]

Thanks s 22(1)(a)(ii) I will probably hold off until tomorrow or later tonight to send anyway, pending advice from Neil and s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Kind regards

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Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: RE: **MAD awareness** ABC reporting: Israel's military clears soldiers of criminal wrongdoing in Gaza strike that killed Zomi Frankcom [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Thanks, Brett. I've cced s 22(1)(a)(ii) who's doing the brief for the s 33(a)(iii)

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Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Subject: RE: **MAD awareness** ABC reporting: Israel's military clears soldiers of criminal wrongdoing in Gaza strike that killed Zomi Frankcom [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Ralph and Julie, FMO has asked I reach out – please let me know if I can help in any way with materials for today?

s 47E(d)

Brett

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Subject: Re: **MAD awareness** ABC reporting: Israel's military clears soldiers of criminal wrongdoing in Gaza strike that killed Zomi Frankcom [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Thanks, s 22(1)(a)(ii): we'd seen this, but appreciate your thinking to keep us in the loop.

Ralph

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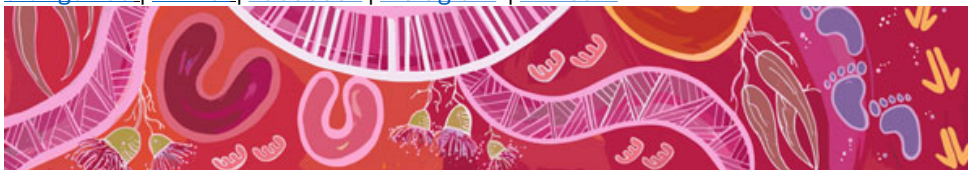
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Perhaps another thing to note/reference in your brief?

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Regards

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Subject: RE: s 33(a)(iii) - WCK Zomi Frankcom death and
IDF investigation [SEC= [REDACTED]]

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Thanks Neil – sent at s 22(1)(a)(ii) . s 47E(d)

Cheers,

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Thanks s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Great write up.

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Added a comment too – happy to discuss.

Regards

Neil

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Neil,

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Welcome back s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Hope visit went well.
Thanks for following up. s 33(a)(iii)

Regards
Neil

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Copy all, Neil.

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(for the second time this week). Noting Shabbat tomorrow, I don't
expect to hear anything before Sunday (from IMoD), at the earliest.

Kind regards,

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Hi s 22(1)

I should have added I would like to s 33(a)(iii)

Thanks

Neil

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Thanks

Neil

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