

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
To: [Media](#)
Cc: s 47E(d) [Ian Gerard](#); [Lynn Bell](#); [Global Watch Office](#); [Consular Operations & Emergency Centre](#), s 22(1)(a)
; s 47E(d)
Subject: RE: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED] / Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 11:02:43 AM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)
[image002.png](#)

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

The below response remains suitable. This has been cleared by AS CNB, Ian Gerard.

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Attributable to a Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade spokesperson

We understand many people feel distressed by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, but we urge Australians to heed the Australian Government advice to not travel to Ukraine. We urge all Australians to leave Ukraine, if it's safe to do so.

On background (for use in reporting, not attribution)

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DFAT Smartraveller advice remains at "Do Not Travel" for Ukraine, Russia and Belarus (see www.smartraveller.gov.au)

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Kind regards

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Director | Consular Operations Team B
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Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
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From: [Ian Gerard](#)
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: RE: For Clearance: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED]
Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 10:05:45 AM
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Thanks, approved.

Ian

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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 9:56 AM
To: Ian Gerard <Ian.Gerard@dfat.gov.au>
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au; s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Subject: FW: For Clearance: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL] 22(1)(a)(ii)
Importance: High

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Hi Ian

I have consulted with Desk, and we agree that the below response remains suitable – we don't have any new deaths that require an FMO background:

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Attributable to a Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade spokesperson

We understand many people feel distressed by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, but we urge Australians to heed the Australian Government advice to not travel to Ukraine. We urge all Australians to leave Ukraine, if it's safe to do so.

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii); [Geoff Bowan](#); s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: RE: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED] / Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 9:48:47 AM
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Thanks, ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} – I think that the current response remains appropriate. Thanks for consulting.

Ta

^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Director | Ukraine Section (UKS)
Eastern Europe Branch (ELB) | Europe and Latin America Division (ELD)
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
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Sent: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 9:48 AM
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Subject: FW: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED] /
Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

I suggest that the below response remains appropriate. We don't have anything further from a consular perspective to add but wanted to get Desk views.

Thanks ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Director | Consular Operations Team B
Consular Operations Branch | Consular & Crisis Management Division
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
To: [Media](#); s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s 47E(d); s 22(1)(a)(ii); [Ian Gerard](#); [Lynn Bell](#); [Global Watch Office](#); [Consular Operations & Emergency Centre](#); s 47E(d); s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: RE: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED] / Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 9:02:47 AM
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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Acknowledging receipt.

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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
To: [Geoff Bowan](#)
Subject: FW: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED] / Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 8:25:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Hey Geoff

Suggest we bow out and leave this to CCD. Response looks fine.

If you agree, I will reply all and get this out of our hair.

Ta

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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Director | Ukraine Section (UKS)
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Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
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From: [Consular Operations & Emergency Centre](#)
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: FW: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED] / Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Tuesday, 30 May 2023 7:22:49 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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[image002.jpg](#)

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Just forwarding to you as duty officer as it came through at 7:00am but I'm guessing s 22(1)(a)(ii) will be all over it.

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Cc: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>; s 47E(d) @dfat.gov.au; s 22(1)(a)(ii)
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Subject: **Media enquiry for action** due to MLS 2pm today / [REDACTED] /
Australians fighting in Ukraine [[SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Good mornings **s 22(1)(a)(ii)**

We've received the below enquiry from [REDACTED] asking for an update to our previous response on Australians fighting in Ukraine.

Imagine we may not have an update to our previous response, but MLS would be grateful for a draft response to this enquiry by **2pm today, Tuesday 30 May** to allow for FMO deadlines. Please let us know if this is unrealistic. We would also appreciate **confirmation of receipt** of this request.

It is a requirement that draft responses are **cleared at SES level** before they are returned to MLS. **Please advise: name, title, and best contact number of the clearing SES.**

In terms of format, media responses should be provided in prose (i.e. not talking points) and any **"attributable to a spokesperson for the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade"** quote should be reasonably short – the usual maximum is three lines. We can then provide more detail **"on background (not for attribution)"** (meaning we cannot be quoted on this, but the journalist can use the information in their reporting).

s 47E(d)

Warm regards,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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Media Liaison Officer | Media Liaison Section
Communications Branch | Executive Division

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 29 May 2023 8:53 AM
To: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hello!

My name is [REDACTED]. I asked these questions a few months ago and got the response below. Just double checking if anything has changed?

"Could tell me an estimate of how many Australians are in Ukraine fighting in the war? If so, do we know how many are fighting on either side?"

Thanks!

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On Mon, Nov 14, 2022 at 5:58 PM Media <media@dfat.gov.au> wrote:

OFFICIAL

Hi [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Thanks for your patience. Please find below response:

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Attributable to a Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade spokesperson

We understand many people feel distressed by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, but we urge Australians to heed the Australian Government advice to not travel to Ukraine. We urge all Australians to leave Ukraine, if it's safe to do so.

On background (for use in reporting, not attribution)

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Kind regards,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Media Liaison Officer | Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 11 November 2022 5:43 PM
To: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Thank you ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} No worries if I don't get a reply before Tuesday morning, but obviously would mind getting it earlier either.

Have a nice weekend!

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On Friday, November 11, 2022, Media <media@dfat.gov.au> wrote:

OFFICIAL

Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for your email.

We will look into this for you.

Regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Media Liaison Section
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
T s 22(1)(a)(ii) | E media@dfat.gov.au

From: [Counter Terrorism](#)
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s 47F(1) ; [Counter Terrorism](#)
Subject: Latest Op REPARTEE Data [REDACTED]
Date: Friday, 12 May 2023 12:31:52 PM
Attachments: [MASTER - ABF Operation REPARTEE - List of ATONSI \(P\) v0.1 06JUN2022.XLSX](#)

[REDACTED]

Good Afternoon,

Please find attached our current assessment of persons who have potentially travelled to the Ukraine region with updated movements and details. Apologies for the delay since we last sent this through.

As per previous advice, we cannot be definitive that these people have crossed into Ukraine and this report is provided for information only. It is not to be used in any subsequent reporting. It is purely an assumption based assessment and it will differ from AFP's numbers.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,

s 47F(1)

A/g Inspector
Counter Terrorism | Special Investigations Branch
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To: s 47F(1) ; s 22(1)(a)
Cc: [Counter Terrorism](#); s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: RE: Latest Op Repatee data [REDACTED]
Date: Wednesday, 1 March 2023 5:37:15 PM

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Thanks s 47F(1) – appreciate the ongoing sharing.

One thing for you to note for your records is that those who are listed as deceased are still shown as OFFSHORE. I can confirm that bodies have been repatriated.

Kind regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Director | Consular Operations Team B
Consular Operations Branch | Consular & Crisis Management Division
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
T s 22(1)(a)(ii) | **M** s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @abf.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 9 February 2023 1:50 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Cc: s 47E(d) @abf.gov.au>
Subject: Latest Op Repatee data [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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

Please find attached our current assessment of persons who have potentially travelled to the Ukraine region with updated movements and details from this week. Apologies for the delay since we last sent this through.

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If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

s 47F(1)

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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
To: [Media](#)
Cc: [Lynn Bell](#); s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: RE: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] - Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Monday, 14 November 2022 3:07:17 PM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

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Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)}

CCD proposed response:

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Attributable to a Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade spokesperson

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Kind regards

^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

A/g Assistant Secretary
Consular Operations Branch | Consular & Crisis Management Division
T s 22(1)(a)(ii) **M** s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 2:19 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Cc: Lynn Bell <Lynn.Bell@dfat.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>; Media <media@dfat.gov.au>

Subject: RE: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] - Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

It looks like the journalist has a little bit of flexibility with this one.

Happy to have something back by COB today or first thing tomorrow morning.

Thanks,

^{s 22(1)(a)}

From: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 2:13 PM

To: ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} [\[REDACTED\]@dfat.gov.au](mailto:[REDACTED]@dfat.gov.au)

Cc: Lynn Bell <Lynn.Bell@dfat.gov.au>; ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} [\[REDACTED\]@dfat.gov.au](mailto:[REDACTED]@dfat.gov.au); Media <media@dfat.gov.au>

Subject: RE: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] - Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

If you could aim to get it back to us by 4pm today, that would be great.

I'll see if the journalist has any flexibility with their deadline and revert.

Cheers,

^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} | Media Liaison Section
Communication Branch | Executive Division

T ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} **M** ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} | **E** ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} [\[REDACTED\]@dfat.gov.au](mailto:[REDACTED]@dfat.gov.au)



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To: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Cc: Lynn Bell <Lynn.Bell@dfat.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Subject: FW: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] - Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Importance: High

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Hi MLS – can we please get an extension to the below request. I have only just seen this – working on it now.

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

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Director | Consular Operations Team B
Consular Operations Branch | Consular & Crisis Management Division
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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 2:06 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) @dfat.gov.au>
Subject: FW: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] - Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Importance: High

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

I've been tied up this morning. Just checking to see if CCD is aware of this one? I think this is best a CCD lead, but happy to chat if helpful.

Thanks

s 22(1)(a)(i)

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Director | Ukraine Section
Latin America and Eastern Europe Branch | Europe and Latin America Division
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Phone: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 2:02 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[s22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)@dfat.gov.au](mailto:s22(1)(a)(ii)@dfat.gov.au)>
Cc: Consular Operations & Emergency Centre <Centre.Conops@dfat.gov.au>; s 47E(d) <[s47E\(d\)@dfat.gov.au](mailto:s47E(d)@dfat.gov.au)>; Lynn Bell <Lynn.Bell@dfat.gov.au>; Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Subject: RE: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Good afternoon^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} and team,

Grateful for an update on the progress of this response.

Warm regards,

^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

s 22(1)(a)(ii) | Media Liaison Section
Communication Branch | Executive Division

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Thanks

From: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 11 November 2022 6:00 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[s22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)@dfat.gov.au](mailto:s22(1)(a)(ii)@dfat.gov.au)>
Cc: Consular Operations & Emergency Centre <Centre.Conops@dfat.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[s22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)@dfat.gov.au](mailto:s22(1)(a)(ii)@dfat.gov.au)>; Lynn Bell <Lynn.Bell@dfat.gov.au>; Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Subject: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] - Australians fighting in Ukraine [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Dear ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} and colleagues

One for Monday.

MLS has received the below enquiry from [REDACTED] regarding Australians participating in the war in Ukraine.

I note we have previously provided advice on a similar line of questioning put to Home Affairs (attached). Welcome advice on whether this enquiry should also be referred to Home Affairs.

Should you determine that DFAT should respond, I would welcome a draft response to this enquiry **by 2pm Monday 14 November** to allow for FMO clearance deadlines.

I would also appreciate confirmation of receipt of this request.

It is a requirement that draft responses are cleared at SES level.

In terms of format, media responses should be provided in prose (i.e. not talking points) and the Minister's office prefers that we keep any "attributable" quote reasonably short – the usual maximum is three lines. We can then provide more detail "on background" (meaning we cannot be quoted on this but the journalist can use the information in reporting). For more guidance and tips, please read [this fact sheet on the intranet](#).

Regards

^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

Media Liaison Section

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

T ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)} | **E** media@dfat.gov.au

From: [REDACTED] >
Sent: 11 November 2022 17:08
To: Media <media@dfat.gov.au>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Australians fighting in Ukraine

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Hi!

My name is [REDACTED] and I'm a reporter with [REDACTED].

I'm wondering if you could tell me an estimate of how many Australians are in Ukraine fighting in the war? If so, do we know how many are fighting on either side?

Thanks!



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From: [Consular Operations & Emergency Centre](#)
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: FW: *Media enquiry for action* due 2pm Monday 14/11 - [REDACTED] - Australians fighting in Ukraine
[SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Friday, 11 November 2022 6:38:00 PM
Attachments: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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H ^{s 22(1)(a)(ii)}

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Kind regards

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