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Good afternoon

Thank you for your email regarding a letter received by the Committee which references the AFP. Please be advised that the AFP has a long standing policy of safe guarding the integrity of its investigations, as well as operational methodology and intelligence.

The AFP further notes the timeframes associated with the matters, raised in the letter, do not fall within the specified period covered by the inquiry into the payment of cash or other inducements by the Commonwealth of Australia in exchange for the turn back of asylum seeker boats.

Thank you for providing the AFP with the opportunity to comment on this letter.

Kind regards



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