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MEETING BRIEF

MINISTER: David Coleman

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Meeting Brief – s22(1)(a)(ii)

Tuesday 9 October 2018 8:30am (AEDST)

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- Note Nauru's decision to end its arrangement with Medecins Sans Frontieres.
 - This will not impact health services to refugees and asylum seekers, but may have flow on affects to the Nauruan populace.

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Consultation

- Regional Processing and Resettlement

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Submission

For information
PDMS Ref. Number MS18-008464

To Minister for Home Affairs
Subject Regional Processing in Nauru - recent discussions and developments
Timing *As soon as possible*

Recommendations

That you:

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- 1.
- 2.

Minister for Home Affairs

Signature *[Handwritten Signature]*

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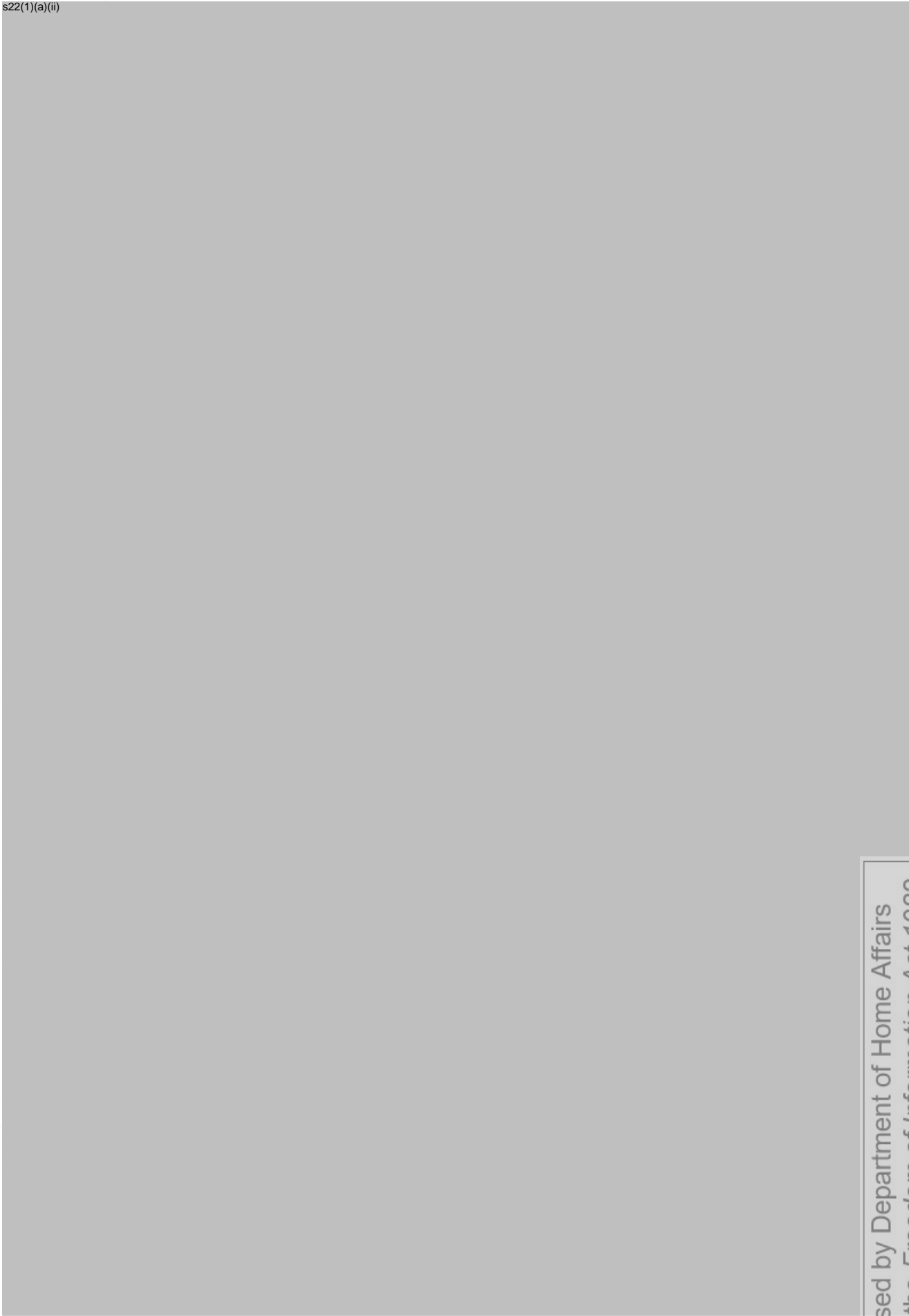
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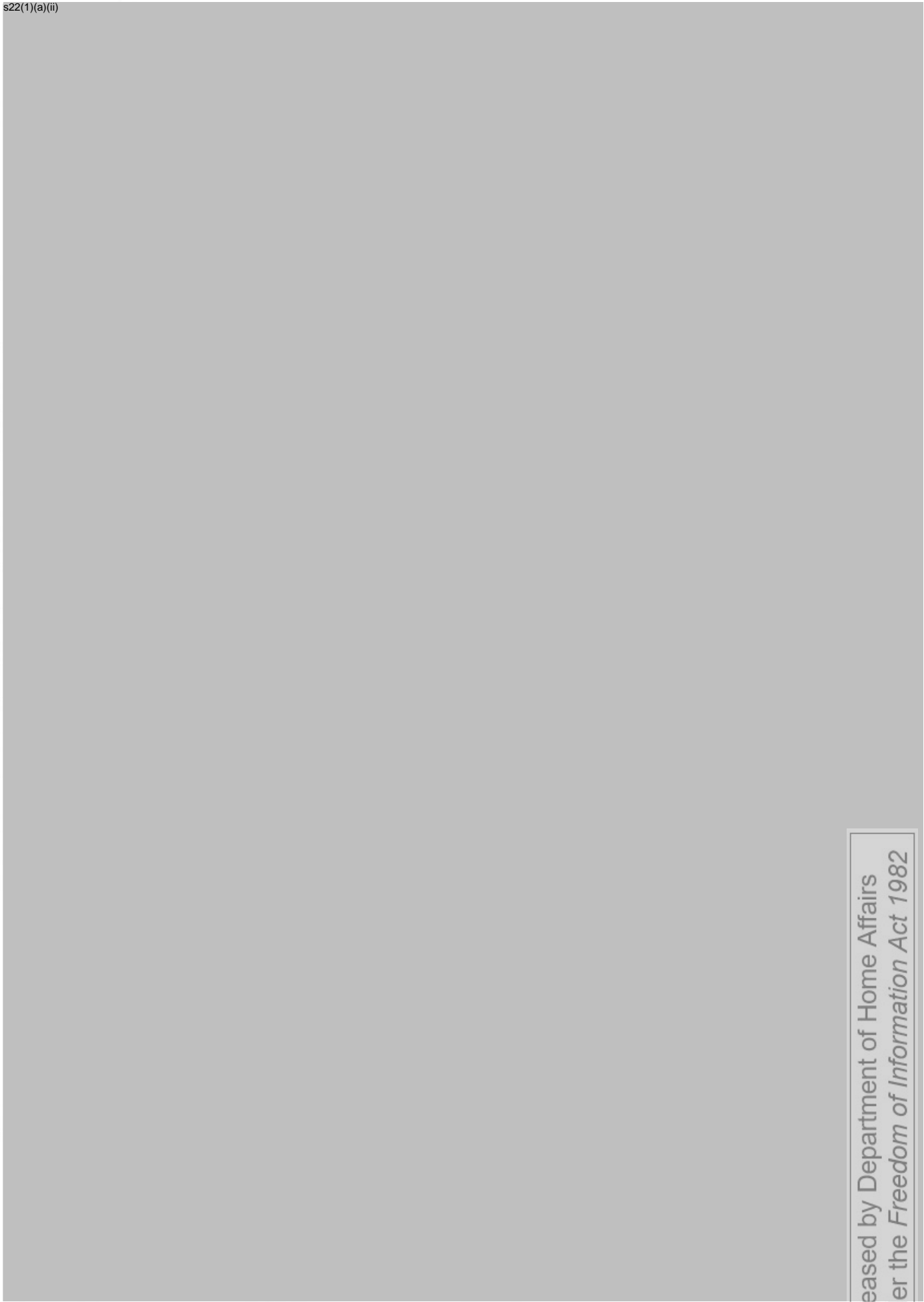
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Médecins sans Frontières (MSF)

22. The issues surrounding MSF are issues for the Government of Nauru to contend with and not issues for the Australian Government. In late 2017, Nauru engaged MSF to supplement health services for Nauruan citizens. Nauru has since learned that MSF has been treating refugees and asylum seekers to the disadvantage of Nauruan citizens. s33(a)(iii)

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24. IHMS will continue to deliver effective health services to refugees and asylum seekers in Nauru, without any gap in the level of delivered services. The movement of MSF from Nauru leaves no capability gap for the refugee and asylum seeker population.

25. There are current 40 mental health specialists on Nauru to treat the refugee and asylum seeker population of 718. This is one specialist for every 18 individuals. These staff are in addition to the welfare workers of Canstruct and HOST and the primary medical staff of IHMS.

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Attachments

36. Nil

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