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**From:** Ireland, Cassandra  
**Sent:** Friday, 9 September 2016 10:39 AM  
**To:** (s 22)  
**Subject:** RE: FYI - AGO words on appointment [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Thanks  
Kind regards  
Cass

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**From:** (s 22)  
**Sent:** Friday, 9 September 2016 10:27 AM  
**To:** Ireland, Cassandra  
**Subject:** FW: FYI - AGO words on appointment [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi Cass

FYI – (s 22) from the Strategic Communications area advised that AGO will be providing the comments below on the AAT appointment of Theo Tavoularis.

Kind regards

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**From:** (s 22)  
**Sent:** Friday, 9 September 2016 10:12 AM  
**To:** (s 22)  
**Subject:** FW: FYI [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Hi (s 22)

Just an FYI - below is the response being provided by Senator Brandis’s office re: the AAT appointment of Theo Tavoularis.

Kind regards,

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**From:** (s 22)  
**Sent:** Friday, 9 September 2016 8:10 AM  
**To:** (s 22)  
**Subject:** FYI [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi (s 22)

FYI - as per my text:

- Mr Theo Tavoularis is a highly respected Brisbane solicitor who has been an extremely well-regarded member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- His appointment was warmly welcomed by the legal profession. The appointment was entirely within the agreed protocol for appointments between the Government and the President of the AAT.
- As a member of the Queensland legal profession, Senator Brandis has been acquainted with Mr Tavoularis professionally for many years. He was not aware of Mr Tavoularis's donation to the Liberal National Party.

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