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#### Preamble

This document does not rule on the application of a 'tax law' (as defined) and is, therefore, not a 'public ruling' for the purposes of Part IVAAA of the **Taxation Administration Act 1953**. The document is, however, administratively binding on the Commissioner of Taxation. Taxation Rulings TR 92/1 and TR 97/16 together explain when a Ruling is a 'public ruling' and how it is binding on the Commissioner.

- 1. Yes. However the Commissioner has varied the requirement for a duplicate copy to be given in the circumstances outlined in paragraph 4 below.
- 2. An entity (the payer) which makes a payment to another entity, that is subject to Pay As You Go (PAYG) withholding, is required to issue the recipient of the payment (the payee) with both an original and a duplicate copy of a PAYG withholding payment summary, as per sections 16-155, 16-160 and 16-167 in Schedule 1 to the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* ('TAA 1953').
- 3. However, section 16-180 in Schedule 1 to the TAA 1953 enables the Commissioner of Taxation, having regard to the special circumstances of a particular case or class of cases to exempt an entity or a class of entities from the specific requirements of issuing payment summaries referred to in sections 16-155, 16-160 and 16-167 in Schedule 1 to the TAA 1953. A copy of a variation that applies to a class of entities must be provided to each entity or published in the Gazette.
- 4. Where an entity (the payer) has made a PAYG withholding from a payment because;
  - the recipient did not quote their Australian Business Number (section 12-190 in schedule 1 to the TAA 1953)
  - the recipient did not quote their Tax File Number in respect of an investment (section 12-140 to 12-170 in schedule 1 to the TAA 1953)
  - the payment was a dividend, interest or royalty paid to an overseas person or foreign resident (sections 12-210 to 12-285 in schedule 1 to the TAA 1953)

the Commissioner of Taxation has exempted the payer entity from the requirement to provide the recipient of the payment with a duplicate copy of the original payment summary under the power contained in section 16-180 having regard to the special circumstances of this class of cases. A copy of the notice of exemption to this effect was published in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. GN 42, 25 October 2000. The exemption is effective from 11 October 2000 and applies to payment summaries given on or after that date.

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5. Entities making a PAYG withholding from a payment in the circumstance described in paragraph 4 are thereby only required to provide the recipient of the payment with the original payment summary in accordance with sections 16-155, 16-160 or 16-167 in Schedule 1 to the TAA 1953.

#### **Commissioner of Taxation**

9 May 2001

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### Subject references:

- Pay As You Go
- PAYG Withholding
- PAYG Payment Summaries

#### Legislative references:

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