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Tēnā koe Mark

I am writing in relation to your complaint to the Ombudsman about my previous response to your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request from 26 July 2022.

As you correctly noted to the Ombudsman, the chapter eXact Impact XM1006 (Version 6) as published in two places on the Police website contains inconsistent redactions.

In the circumstances, I have further considered your request and have decided to release this chapter with consolidated redactions, as well as the removal of redactions on references to CS gas which were previously considered out of scope of your request and the topic of eXact Impact XM1006. One section is still redacted under section 6(c) of the OIA as the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial. The Ombudsman will review Police's decision in respect of this remaining portion of withheld information, as well as the other issues raised in your complaint.

The chapter is attached with my response. It will also be published on the Police website¹.

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Yours sincerely



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¹ <https://www.police.govt.nz/about-us/publication/use-force-police-manual-chapters>