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John Luke

By email to [fyi-request-15399-7e476acc@requests.fyi.org.nz](mailto:fyi-request-15399-7e476acc@requests.fyi.org.nz)

Tēnā koe John,

### **Partial response to your request for Official Information**

On 13 April 2021, you requested from the Human Rights Commission (“the Commission”) the following information:

1. *For the 2017-2021 financial year, the total amount spent by the Office on koha, the names of those who received it,*
2. *the amount spent on any other donations and the names of those who received these donations; and*
3. *The events current commissioner Meng Foon attended since he took the office.*

On 4 June 2021, we provided our response to your first two question.

On 9 July we provided a partial response to you last request, namely events attended by Race Relations Commissioner Meng Foon between January 2021 – June 2021.

Please see below a table on the public events Race Relations Commissioner Meng Foon has attended between August 2019 – December 2019.

We are working through the final list of events for the 2020 calendar year and will aim to provide that to you by **23 July 2021**.

### **Alternative avenues**

If you are unhappy with this response, under the Official Information Act you are entitled to complain to the Ombudsman’s Office. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or on freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any further queries about this response, please feel free to contact me directly.

Nāku noa, nā

**Jaimee Paenga**  
Legal Adviser

<b>Date of Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Meeting/Event</b>	<b>Description/Invitation received from</b>
Weds, 28 Aug	Auckland	2019 Diversity Awards NZ Gala Dinner	CEO, Diversity Works NZ
Thurs, 29 Aug	Wellington	Multi-faith Welcome	Religious Communities Leadership
Mon, 2 Sept	Wellington	Speaking Invitation at Wellington High School	Librarian, Wellington High School
Tues, 3 Sept	Wellington	Speaking Invitation at Waterloo School	Principal, Waterloo School
Tues, 10 Sept	Wellington	Prime Minister's Education Excellence Awards	Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister of Education
Weds, 11 Sept	Rotorua	Te Arawa Launch: Anne Frank - Te Rātaka a Tētahi Kōhine	Chairman, Anne Frank NZ and local Rotorua Sponsor
Thurs, 12 Sept	Hamilton	Keynote Speaker at Kīngitanga Day. Annual celebration of the partnership between the University of Waikato and the Kīngitanga	Pou Tuhono, University of Waikato
Thurs, 12 Sept	Hamilton	Guest Speaker at Te Wānanga o Aotearoa Raroera Campus re Te Reo Maori	Kaiako, Te Haputanga O Te Reo L5, Te Wānanga o Aotearoa
Fri, 13 Sept	Te Puke	Speaking invitation re Te wiki o te reo Maori	Te Pou Hononga Maori, EastPack Growers
Tues, 17 Sept	Wellington	Religious Diversity Launch	Office of Ethnic Communities
Fri, 20 Sept	Napier	Speaking Invitation at Kāpō Māori Aotearoa NZ Biennial Hui Taumata	CEO, Kāpō Māori Aotearoa NZ
Sat, 21 Sept	Gisborne	Guest Speaker Invitation at Opportunities Without Discrimination Diversity Dinner	President, Tairāwhiti Multicultural Council
Mon, 23 Sept	Dunedin	Anne Frank Travelling Exhibition Invitation	Chairman, Anne Frank NZ
Tues, 24 Sept	Auckland	Invitation to participate in a panel discussion on hate speech for PHIL 103 "Freedom, Rights, and Justice"	Zach Penman, University of Auckland
Weds, 25 Sept	Christchurch	Speaking invitation at Canterbury Resettlement Services AGM	Board, Canterbury Resettlement Services
Sun, 29 Sept	Auckland	Speaking invitation at 70th Anniversary of the People's Republic of China Celebration Function	Chairman, Auckland Chinese Community Centre Inc.
Weds, 2 Oct	Christchurch	Speaking invitation at Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand Inc. (AMINZ) Christchurch Network Meeting	Office Assistant, AMINZ

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Friday, 4 Oct	Auckland	Invitation to attend Preventing Family Harm Gala Dinner. Global Women Breakthrough Leadership Programme Cohort of 2019 in support of the Serenity Foundation	Deloitte in support of Ghandi Nivas programme
Sat, 5 Oct	Gisborne	Community Powhiri to welcome the waka hourua of the Tuia 250 flotilla	Tuia 250 ki Tūranga
Thurs, 10 Oct	Auckland	Public talk as part of Gus Fisher Gallery's exhibition programme for The Slipping Away: Interrogating the Borders Between Us	Public Programmes and Engagement Officer, Gus Fisher Gallery and the University of Auckland
Thurs, 10 Oct	Auckland	Chinese NZ Herald 25th Anniversary Gala Dinner	Communications Manager, Event Partners Ltd
Sat, 12 Oct	Rotorua	Presentation to Robert Gillies - Order of Merit of the Italian Republic	Ngati Whakaue
Sun, 13 Oct	Auckland	War Refugee Celebration Lunch 80th Anniversary	NZ Chinese Association Auckland
Mon, 14 Oct	Wellington	Invitation from The Ambassador of Ireland to Aotearoa New Zealand to an informal 'One Night Only' Gathering with Ms. Sinéad Burke	Embassy of Ireland
Tues, 15 Oct	Wellington	CrimeStoppers 10 year anniversary	Crimestoppers
Sat, 19 Oct	Auckland	VIP Invitation to opening ceremony of Taiwan Day	The Preparatory Committee of NZ Taiwan Day Trust
Tues, 22 Oct	Wellington	Bicentenary of the Birth of the Báb Celebration	Bahá'í National Office
Weds, 23 Oct	Wellington	Speaking invitation at NZ Indian Central Assoc Exec meeting	General Secretary, New Zealand Indian Central Association Inc.
Weds, 23 Oct	Wellington	Parliamentary Diwali Celebration	Minister for Ethnic Communities
Thurs, 24 Oct	New Plymouth	Community Korero for Common Good Filming Project	Charlotte Postlethwaite
Mon, 28 Oct	Waitara	Speakers Panel Invitation for Te Pūtaka o Te Riri: He Rau Maumahara 2019	Project Manager, Pūtaka o Te Riri Working Party
Tues, 29 Oct	Wellington	Speaking invitation at Ministry of Health's forum - Delivering equity of health and wellbeing in Aotearoa	Office of the Director-General, Ministry of Health
Weds, 30 Oct	Wellington	Speaking invitation at 2019 (11th) Chinese Film Festival in New Zealand	Chairperson, Multicultural Council of Wellington
Thurs, 31 Oct	Wellington	Anne Frank Travelling Exhibition Opening at Foxton Museum	Chairman, Anne Frank NZ
Fri, 1 Nov	Auckland	ANZ Diwali Celebration	ANZ
Fr, 1 Nov	Gisborne	Sunrise Foundation 5th Anniversary	Trust Tairawhiti
Sat, 2 Nov	Christchurch	Embracing Love and Peace Concert	Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple NZ
Mon, 4 Nov	Wellington	Speaking invitation at 2019 NZ Combined Law Agency Group Annual Conference	NZ Police
Weds, 6 Nov	Wellington	Invitation to Launch of "Te Huringa o Te Tai" The Turning of Tide	Maori, Pacific and Ethnic Services, NZ Police

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Weds, 6 Nov	Wellington	2019 School of Government Prize-giving	School of Government, Victoria University of Wellington
Fri, 8 Nov	Paihia	Invitation to attend the official Pōwhiri being held at Te Tii Marae for Tuia 250 ki Tai Tokerau Northland	Te Au Mārie Trust   Tuia 250 ki Te Taitokerau
Sat, 9 Nov	Auckland	Te Mahurehure Cultural Marae Society Inc 50yrs Celebration	Chairperson, Te Mahurehure Cultural Marae Society Inc
Thurs, 14 Nov	Auckland	Religious Diversity Statement Launch	Human Rights Commission, Office of Ethnic Community and Religious Diversity Centre
Fri, 15 Nov	Auckland	2019 Sino-New Zealander Entrepreneurs Face-to-face Exchange and Investment Cooperation Dinner	Organising Committee of The Summit, NZCITAI
Sat, 16 Nov	Auckland	Invite to participate in panel discussion at Pacific Women's Watch Conference	Pacific Women's Watch
Sun, 17 Nov	Auckland	Invitation to National Commemoration of the Birth of Prophet Muhammad	South Auckland Muslim Association
Mon, 18 Nov	Auckland	Launch of a study by the Superdiversity Institute	Chair, Superdiversity Institute for Law, Policy and Business
Tues, 19 Nov	Auckland	Arahia he Ara – Pathways Conference 2019	Capturing the Diversity Dividend of Aotearoa NZ (based at the University of Waikato)
Weds, 20 Nov	Wellington	Invitation to open the New Zealand Portrait Gallery's major summer exhibition Being Chinese in New Zealand: A Photographic Journey	Director, NZ Portrait Gallery
Thurs, 21 Nov	Wellington	Invitation to open Dragon Tails conference (a conference on Chinese diaspora)	Wai-te-ata Press, Victoria University of Wellington
Thurs, 21 Nov	Wellington	Invitation to exhibition launch of the Jallianwala Bagh - Punjab Under Siege Photo Exhibition	Ekta and the NZ India Research Institute
Sat, 23 Nov	Auckland	Official Guest at NZ Communities Football Cup Opening and Closing ceremonies	Multicultural NZ
Sat, 23 Nov	Auckland	Invitation to 2019 Fo Guang Shan NZ Cherry Blossom Festival and Art Salon Finale	Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple NZ
Sun, 24 Nov	Auckland	Invitation to attend Human Islam Seminar	Human Islam Committee
Mon, 25 Nov	Wellington	Invitation to inaugurate NZ Asian Studies Society Conference	Associate Professor in Asian Studies, Victoria University of Wellington
Mon, 25 Nov	Wellington	Invitation to visit Maungaraki School re KiVa	Accent Learning   Viclink and Maungaraki School
Tues, 26 Nov	Wellington	NZ Asian Studies Society Conference Dinner	Associate Professor in Asian Studies, Victoria University of Wellington

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Weds, 27 Nov	Foxton	Invitation to visit Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom	Kaihautū Rangapū Tiripou Mahi Whakahaere, Mana Urungi - Horowhenua District Council
Thurs, 28 Nov	Wellington	NZ Asian Leaders “Soap-box, the changing face of NZ” event	NZ Asian Leaders Wellington Committee
Fri, 29 Nov	Hamilton	Keynote speaker invitation at Te Kohao Health 25th Birthday Anniversary Celebration	Te Kohao Health Board of Directors
Weds, 4 Dec	Auckland	Community Leaders Connect Event to foster inclusion and social cohesion in Aotearoa	Facebook
Sun, 8 Dec	Kaitia	Powhiri, Te Wiki Hakinakina ki Te Tai Tokerau	TKKM o Te Rangi Aniwaniwa
Tues, 10 Dec	Christchurch	Visit to Oaklands Primary School	***
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Tues, 10 Dec	Christchurch	Religious Diversity Statement Launch	Human Rights Commission, Office of Ethnic Community and Religious Diversity Centre
Weds, 11 Dec	Wellington	Ministry of Education end of year function	Secretary for Education
Thurs, 12 Dec	Wellington	Homeward Christmas Ball	British High Commission
Sun, 15 Dec	Gisborne	Horouta Waka Hoe AGM	Chairman, Horouta Waka Hoe
Weds, 18 Dec	Wellington	Final reading of the Rua Kenana Bill	Human Rights Commission (Ahi Kaa)
Sat, 21 Dec	Maungapohatu	Powhiri and Hui at Te Mapou Marae re Rua Kenana Bill	Human Rights Commission (Ahi Kaa)