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Dear Harold

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) for information regarding the Terrorism Designation Working Group (TDWG). This element of your request was transferred to Police from the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) on 26 July 2021.

My response to each of your questions can be found below.

1. *A copy of their terms of reference (Terrorist Designation Working Committee)*

The TDWG has no formal terms of reference, but detailed information on the role and functions of the TDWG, including the legal framework and process for terrorist designations, and the list of individuals and organisations designated, is available on the Police website:

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-community/counterterrorism/designated-entities>

2. *The identity and job title of their chairperson, and the agency they are seconded from if they are a secondee.*

The chair of the TDWG works within the National Intelligence Centre, located in Police National Headquarters in Wellington. The portfolio is currently held by a Lead Intelligence Analyst. There is no secondment arrangement to DPMC for this role. The identity of this individual is not provided under section 9(2)(g)(ii) of the OIA, in order to protect the privacy of natural persons.

3. *The identity of every agency represented in their membership*

The following agencies are represented on the TDWG: DPMC, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the National Assessments Bureau, Crown Law, the New Zealand Defence Force, New Zealand Police, and the Combined Threat Assessment Group.

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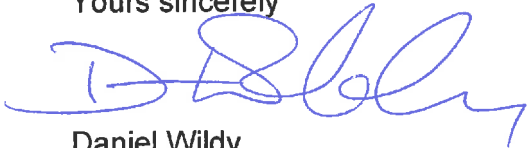
[www.police.govt.nz](http://www.police.govt.nz)

4. *If any of these sub-committees have been transferred out of DPMC or dissolved, I'd like my request to be taken to mean the current information as at the date they left DPMC. In this case, I would also like to request the date that these sub-committees left DPMC and what agency is now hosting them (if any).*

The terrorism designation process was established under the Terrorism Suppression Act (2002), but the working group was not established until October 2003, when Cabinet agreed that Police should chair a working group to formally consider making designation requests to the Prime Minister, in consultation with the Crown Law Officer, and through the Officials Committee on Domestic and External Security Coordination.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with Police's response to your request.

Yours sincerely



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