

16 June 2021

Mr Will Inglis

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Tēnā koe Mr Inglis

Thank you for your email of 18 May 2021 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“Copies of the responses to OIA requests received by the Ministry and/or the Minister for Children between 2016 and 2020 containing:

- Lists of reports, aide memoires, briefings, memos etc. provided to the Minister over a specific period

Please include responses from former Ministers for Children during this period as well as the current Minister.”

The information you requested is attached in Appendix One. Requestor details have been withheld from these documents under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of individuals. Information relating to the respective Ministers’ other portfolios is out of scope of your request and has been redacted.

You will also note that information was withheld in the original responses under the following sections of the Act.

- 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of individuals
- 9(2)(b)(ii) – to protect commercially confidential information
- 9(2)(c) – to protect the health and safety of members of the public
- 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials

- 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
- and 9(2)(i) and 9(2)(j) – to enable the Ministry to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities and negotiations.

Information requested was also refused in the original responses under section 18(d) as it was publicly available at the time of the request.

Oranga Tamariki intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public shortly. We will do this by publishing this letter and attachments on our website. Your personal details will be deleted and we will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. Information about this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by contacting them on 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Steve Groom', written in a cursive style.

Steve Groom
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