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Dear Mr Nicholas

## INFORMATION REQUEST OF 29 MAY 2014

Thank you for your request to the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) dated 29 May 2014 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA). You have requested information relating to complaints about two particular websites, as well as complaints about website content generally.

One of the Department's roles is to make sure that New Zealand's censorship legislation is enforced. We do this by investigating complaints and concerns about material that may be objectionable or restricted under the terms of the Film, Videos and Publication Classification Act 1993. We also investigate complaints about spam (unsolicited electronic messages), and operate an internet and website filtering system to block websites that host child sexual abuse images.

Further information about our censorship role can be found at [www.dia.govt.nz](http://www.dia.govt.nz).

The Department does not have any jurisdiction or control over website content, nor do we record enquiries about website content that is not within our mandate. Consequently, the Department does not hold the information that you are seeking.

I therefore refuse your request in accordance with section 18(g)(i) of the OIA, because the information you have requested is not held by the Department and I have no grounds for believing that the information is held by another organisation which is subject to the OIA.

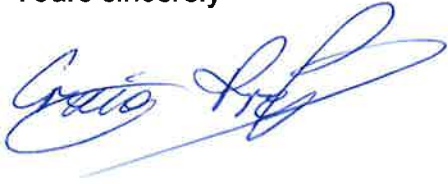
You have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation of my decision.

The Office of the Ombudsman can be contacted at PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or by phoning 0800 802 602.



Thank you again for your email.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Craig Press". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Craig" being more prominent than the last name "Press".

**Craig Press**  
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