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Tēnā koe Ali

Official Information request and response

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act (“OIA”) dated 14 June 2022.

You have requested:

1. *All NZ On Air documents and communications that mention the propaganda term 'Indo-Pacific' or 'Indo Pacific'.*

Due to the wide scope of your request, we require your request to be clarified. NZ On Air has 32 years of documents and correspondence, many of which are not easily accessible via computer and are in physical archives. Similarly, the terms ‘documents’ and ‘communications’ require clarification as they are too wide in scope for us to respond to in a timely manner.

Considering this, could you please provide a revised request that specifies a timeframe under which documents and communications have been created and which type(s) of documents and communications you are requesting. If you need assistance clarifying this request, you can contact staff member Conall Aird via conall@nzonair.govt.nz.

We also note that under our governing legislation, [The Broadcasting Act 1989](#), NZ On Air does not have editorial control of content and therefore we do not and cannot influence the terminology used by any of our funded media. Communications and documents created by funded media bodies are administered by the producers of that content. As they are entities separate from NZ On Air, we do not have access to their files. As such, unless specifically forwarded to us, we do not have any documentation or communication generated by funded parties.

It appears likely that your original request will need to be clarified or amended to enable us to respond. Please note, any clarification or amendment of a request is considered to be a new request for the purpose of calculating the maximum statutory timeframe for response—see section [15\(1AA\) of the OIA](#).

For your information, funding provided by NZ On Air for all successful projects as well as media releases and external documents are [searchable](#) on our website. You can also [sign up](#) to receive our regular industry newsletter via our website.

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You have the right to refer this response to the Ombudsman if you are dissatisfied with it. More information on how to do this is [here](#). NZ On Air proactively releases information in accordance with the Government's commitment to the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan. This includes publishing responses to requests for information under the OIA. Please note that this response (with your name removed) will be published on the NZ On Air website shortly and will remain on our website for 12 months.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sharon Kerry', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sharon Kerry
HEAD OF CORPORATE SERVICES