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Tēnā koe Justin,

## Official Information Act request

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) about the classification of *The Last of Us Part 1*, which we received on 29 September 2022.

You said:

Requesting following for Last of Us Part 1  
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- Examination transcript;
- Consideration Sheet;
- Summary of Reasons;
- Supplementary materials (could be video footage, content declaration questionnaire, cheat codes);
- Screenshots showing information from the database as seen by OFLC;
- Emails and its attachment to and/or from FVLB, OFLC, distributor, publisher, developer;
- Forms and its attachment to and/or from FVLB, OFLC, distributor, publisher, developer, Any other correspondence relating to this game.

This request includes personal information but does not include the game itself.

In responding to your request, we have weighed up the factors in the OIA, including the purposes in [section 4](#) and the principle of availability in [section 5](#).

## Response to your request

### *Information we have decided to release*

Attached to this letter is a file containing all of the information that you have requested that we have decided to release. This includes:

- the submission form and request for urgent classification from the publisher of *The Last of Us Part 1*;
- the examination transcript, consideration sheet, and summary of reasons for *The Last of Us Part 1*;
- relevant screenshots of the Classification Database Application; and
- emails and attachments held by the Classification Office.

Parts of some of these documents have been withheld under section 9 of the OIA.

We have interpreted your request for “Any other correspondence relating to this game” as including any correspondence related to the Classification Office’s classification of *The Last of Us Part 1*. This game is currently being reviewed by the [Film and Literature Board of Review](#), who will classify the game in due course.

#### *Information we have decided not to release*

The publisher of *The Last of Us Part 1* supplied the Classification Office with one document in confidence to assist with the examination and classification of this game.

We have reviewed this supplementary material and consider that its release would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

Accordingly, your request for supplementary material is declined under section 9(2)(ba)(i) of the OIA.

#### **Publication of response**

This response may be published on the Classification Office’s [website](#). If it is published there, your personal information will be redacted.

#### **Right of review**

You have the right to make a complaint and seek a review by the Ombudsman of this response, and decision to transfer part of your request, under [section 28\(3\) of the OIA](#). Information about this process is available at [ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Thank you for your interest in our mahi.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Te Mana Whakaatu—Classification Office