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Tēnā koe John

Your Official Information Act 1982 request OIA 2223-0650

Thank you for your email of 21 March 2023 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) and New Zealand’s Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) have signed a new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to further promote strategic engagement, facilitate information sharing and enhance compliance and enforcement outcomes.

May I kindly request the full copy of the MOU mentioned here within.”

This Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) is publicly available on the webpage you provided by following the link at the end of the page. You can access a copy of the MoU on the ACMA publications website, www.acma.gov.au/publications, using the search term “MOU Department of Internal Affairs”. As this is publicly available, I am refusing the request under section 18(d) of the Act.

We intend to publish our response to your request on www.dia.govt.nz. This letter, with your personal details removed, will be published in its entirety. Publishing responses increases the availability of information to the public and is consistent with the Act’s purpose of enabling more effective participation in the making and administration of laws and policies and promoting the accountability of Ministers and officials.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Act, to seek an investigation or review of this response by the Office of the Ombudsman. The postal address of the Office of the Ombudsman is PO Box 10152, Wellington. Alternatively, you can phone 0800 802 602 or email info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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