



**Te Tari Taiwhenua  
Internal Affairs**

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Tēnā koe Bruce,

**Your Official Information Act request [OIA2324-0195]**

I am writing in regards to your Official Information Act (Act) request, which was received by the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) on 15 September 2023.

You have requested:

*Dear National Library of New Zealand Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa, I want to find out whether the National Library of New Zealand gathered any video and audio footage from its security Cameras of events near its building during the Wellington Protests of February and March 2022. If the answer is yes, could you also determine whether the footage was gathered purely for security reasons, or was there also a desire to gather information for the Library's collection.*

Please find my response to your questions below.

Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) did not archive or export any security footage, related or unrelated to the Wellington Protests during February and March 2022. This includes external and internal requests.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, the Department has decided to proactively release a copy of this response on the DIA website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available here: <https://www.dia.govt.nz/Official-Information-Act-Requests-2>

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any feedback or questions about the Department's response, please let us know at [OIA@DIA.govt.nz](mailto:OIA@DIA.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely

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