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Paul McMahan

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Dear Paul McMahan

Official Information Request Relating to Communications with Rachel Glucina

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 23 April 2015 for: *"a record of all contact with Rachel Glucina (since 1 March 2015) and yourself or your office, in any capacity, regarding the Rosie cafe, its owners or employees. Please provide all emails, text messages, or social media messages, of the above."*

It is not the practice of the media team or the Prime Minister to divulge details of the communications with journalists. This would also extend to any communications the Prime Minister or the media team has had with Rachel Glucina. Therefore, any information relevant to the scope of your request is withheld under the following grounds of the Official Information Act:

- section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982, as withholding the information is necessary *"to protect the privacy of natural persons."*
- section 9(2)(ba) of the Official Information Act as withholding the information is necessary to *"protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information-*
 1. *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.*
 2. *would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest."*

No public interest in releasing the withheld information has been identified that would be sufficient to override the reasons for withholding it.

You are entitled to ask the Ombudsman to review this response under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

Wayne Eagleson
Chief of Staff