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Ref: PMO OIA 237-2023-24

Dear Jacob

Official Information Act request: Various documents 4-20 June

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 22 July 2024. Your refined request is as follows:

I acknowledge the difficulty of locating texts from that specific day across a number of different contacts which may potentially have texts in scope. Could I please refine my request to texts with the Chief of Staff Cameron Burrows, any Senior Press Secretary and any Senior Ministerial Advisor. Reiterating again that is only for the date of 1 March 2024.

Two text messages are relevant to your refined request and were between the Rt Hon Prime Minister Luxon and me. One text message was a media enquiry being forwarded on and the other discussed an employment matter.


Both texts are withheld in full under the following sections of the Act:

- section 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of individuals
- section 9(2)(ba)(i), protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Act. No public interest has been identified that would be sufficient to outweigh the reasons for withholding that information.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely



Cameron Burrows
Chief of Staff