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Tēnā koe

Your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 with regard to the number of referrals from the Privacy Commissioner

I refer to your request for information sent to us by email on Wednesday 12 June 2024. Thank you for your interest in this aspect of our work. Although we are not required to, we have in the past included this information in our Annual Reporting to the Minister of Justice. Our Annual Report is contained within a section of the Annual Report submitted by Te Kāhui Tika Tangata | Human Rights Commission.

You have asked two questions, copied verbatim, as follows:

Question One

Would you please advise how many referrals by the Privacy Commissioner to the Director under the Privacy Act have been made for each complete financial year from 2019/20 onwards.

Question Two

Please also advise the number of referrals so far in the near-complete 2023/24 year.

To answer your questions, I can confirm the following:

Question One

Reporting [Financial] Year	Number of referrals from the Privacy Commissioner to the Director of Human Rights Proceedings
1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020	3
1 July 2020 – 30 June 2021	1
1 July 2021 – 30 June 2022	1
1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023	1

Question Two

None

I note that, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982, we were required to respond to you by 11 July 2024. Accordingly, our response is timely and within the prescribed period. If I have misinterpreted your question or you require further clarification, please let us know.

Finally, 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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Michael Timmins', enclosed within a blue oval scribble.**Michael Timmins**

Director of Human Rights Proceedings
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