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Kia ora James

Official Information Act request dated 17 July 2024

We refer to your email dated 17 July 2024 requesting further information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the **Act**) following your previous requests. The answers to your specific questions are set out below.

Request: Can you please clarify response 3:

“This meeting was a dinner function with a group of New Zealand producers and directors” - you have chosen not to withhold information under provisions provided under the OIA, rather you have simply failed to provide further reasonable details. As such, please provide the names of the NZ producers and directors, TVNZ executives dined with and any informal texts or emails relating to this event as it certainly falls within the public interest sphere - executives of our National broadcaster attended this “unplanned event” featuring Kiwi producers and directors.

To avoid any confusion, can also please confirm if the “dinner function” referred to is actually the “Uber Eats catering” as expensed or is that a different occasion?

Response: We have already provided details of the TVNZ executives who attended this dinner and explained the nature of the dinner (i.e., that it was a dinner arranged during the course of the LA Screenings event and no formal correspondence exists).

The names of the producer and director attendees have been withheld on the basis of section 9(2)(a) of the Act: to protect the privacy of the relevant producer and director attendees of what was an informal dinner function.

We confirm the dinner referred to is the Uber Eats catering of US\$110.63 claimed for all three TVNZ attendees, which is well within TVNZ’s expense policy.

Please note that section 28 of the Act sets out the circumstances in which you may make a complaint to the Ombudsman in order to seek an investigation and review of this decision.

Yours sincerely,

Official Information Requests Team
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