



17 January 2025

Ref: DOIA-REQ-0006868

K

Email: fyi-request-28587-dc4b03a6@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear K,

Thank you for your email of 18 November 2024 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) further clarifying your request DOIA-REQ-0004387 and requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

“Communication between MBIE and Sir Peter Gluckman relating to the membership selection process of the Science Systems Advisory Group including the selection and acceptance of the chair”

On 13 December we extended the time available to respond to your request under the Act until 20 January 2025.

Please find enclosed the correspondence relevant to your request as set out in the following document table:

No	Date	Title	Decision
1	18 Dec 2024	FW: In confidence - science review New Zealand - from Sir Peter Gluckman	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a)
2	17-18 Dec 2024	FW: Names for reviews	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(g)(i)
3	18 Jan 2024	Re: Advisory Group [UNCLASSIFIED]	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(g)(i)
4	20-21 February 2024	RE: Updated timeframes [UNCLASSIFIED]	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a)

Some information is being withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- Section 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons, and
- Section 9(2)(g)(i) to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty.

I do not consider that the withholding of this information is outweighed by public interest considerations in making the information available.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lee Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Lee Robinson
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Labour, Science and Enterprise