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Kia ora Bronwyn

Official Information Act request dated 3 February 2025

We refer to your email dated 3 February 2025 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the **Act**). The answers to your specific questions are set out below.

Request: Under the Official Information Act 1982 I kindly request to see the contractual agreement made between TVNZ and the Australia & New Zealand Grundy Entertainment Pty Ltd/Grundy International Operations Ltd for the production of the television gameshow Wheel of Fortune, which was filmed at the Avalon Television Studios from 1991-1996, in particular regarding:

- Which party would fund various aspects of the production (including staffing, set design, and materials)
- How much was paid
- Which party would hold various licensing and copyrights arising from the production

Response: We have searched for *readily retrievable* information that responds to your request and identified a production agreement between TVNZ and Grundy Entertainment Pty Ltd for Series 2 of 'Celebrity Wheel of Fortune'. The copyright for this programme was held by Grundy Entertainment Pty Ltd. We are unable to disclose further details regarding production of the programme (including funding and licensing arrangements), as the production agreement obliges TVNZ to keep it confidential. This information is therefore withheld on the following bases:

- Section 9(2)(b) of the Act: the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information; and
- Section 9(2)(i) of the Act: to enable TVNZ to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

Undertaking a *full search* for all documentation relating to Wheel of Fortune from 1991 to 1996 would require substantial research and collation. A charge for provision would therefore apply, at an hourly rate of \$76 per the Charging Guidelines. We note that even if other responsive documentation were to be found, we consider it likely that such documents would also be confidential, and therefore subject to the same withholding grounds. Please let us know if you would like to proceed with your request.

If you would like to make a footage licensing request for use in a private setting, you can submit a request to our Digital Production Library team at <https://licensing.tvnz.co.nz/footage-request-private-setting/>. If you would like to



make a footage licensing request for use in a public setting, the Getty Images service centre team will assist (see <https://licensing.tvnz.co.nz/footage-request-public-setting/> for more information).

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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