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Tēnā koe John,

Your Official Information Act 1982 request, reference OIA 2516-0906

I am responding to your email of 25 February 2026 to the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), about a recent call for nominations to fill one position on the Gambling Commission:

May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. govt.jobs website. A copy of your ad as well and pay rate. Also, how many applications you have received for each of the role from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc for your role. How many you have shortlisted and how many you have interviewed. How many vacancies are you looking to fill?

I note that you may receive my OIA request in the morning before the stated deadline of 5pm on 26 February. Please consider this request only after the deadline has passed, so that you are able to respond to all of my questions in full.

Response to your request

We listed the role on the Department's website, and advertised it on SEEK NZ, Appoint Better Boards, LinkedIn and on the Arbitrators and Mediators Institute of New Zealand Inc's website.

There is one document in scope of your request which I am releasing in full and is attached as **Appendix A**.

We received nine applications, two of which were endorsed by the Ministry for Ethnic Communities. Interviews have not been held yet, but we intend to invite three candidates to be interviewed to fill the one vacancy.

Accessing the Ombudsman

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my decision by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Proactive release

We intend to publish our response to your request on our website at: www.dia.govt.nz/Official-Information-Act-Requests-2. This letter, with your personal details removed, will be published in its entirety. Publishing responses increases the availability of

information to the public and is consistent with the Act's purpose of enabling more effective participation in the making and administration of laws and policies and promoting the accountability of Ministers and officials.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Batt', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark Batt
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Internal Affairs
Te Tari Taiwhenua

Appendix A: Documents within scope

No.	Title	Date	Decision (Release, partial release or withhold)	Withholding grounds under the Act
1	Candidate Information Sheet	N/A	Released in Full	N/A