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Kia ora Mr Watson

### **Official Information Act request dated 2 May 2026**

We refer to your email dated 2 May 2026 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the **Act**).

#### **Request:**

In line with TVNZ's obligations under the Official Information Act 1982, could you please provide a copy of all correspondence between TVNZ (or its solicitors, counsel or agents) and NZME relating to the investigation by NZME station(s)/masthead(s) of the publicly reported alleged incident involving Ms Maiki Sherman and Mr Lloyd Burr at Parliament in 2025.

For the avoidance of doubt, NZME in this request includes NZME Ltd, any companies of which NZME Ltd is the ultimate holding company, and any person acting on behalf of NZME (including its solicitors or counsel).

#### **Response:**

Responsive information has been withheld on the following bases:

- section 9(2)(a): to protect the privacy of persons involved, including Ms Sherman and others; and
- section 9(2)(g)(ii): for the protection of people from harassment; you will be aware of Ms Sherman's public statements in this regard.

We trust this information assists. If you are dissatisfied with this response, 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**  
TVNZ