



Department of
Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai

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T. Benseman
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Dear T. Benseman

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

Thank you for your official information request of 6 October 2016 seeking:

“... all communications between all Department of Conservation staff including the Minister, and the NZ Police, regarding the arrest of Peter Lusk in 2016.” (sic)

I regret to advise that your request is declined for the following reasons:

- to protect the privacy of Peter Lusk under section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act. I do not see that my reason for withholding the information is outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available;
- the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences (section 6(c) of the Official Information Act refers).

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Kessick', written over a horizontal line.

Martin Kessick
Director National Operations