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Dear Mr Collins

## **OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST: 16/889/7**

I refer to your request dated the 14<sup>th</sup> of March 2018 where you sought information pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982.

"I would like to request the police manual explaining about section 50 of the Domestic Violence Act 1995 and what is the criteria that constables are able to determine that they have a 'good cause' to arrest a suspect, like what evidence needed and more details about the arrest and procedures. 50) Power to arrest for breach of protection order where a protection order is in force, any constable may arrest, without warrant, any person who the constable has good cause to suspect has— (a) contravened the protection order; or (b) failed to comply with any condition of the protection order"

I have attached a copy of the 'Protection and property related orders' chapter from the New Zealand Police Manual. Please note that this chapter is in the process of being updated to reflect the upcoming changes to the Domestic Violence Act 1995 (Family and Whānau Violence Legislation Bill 2017).

If you have any queries pertaining to this request please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request you have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsmen and seek an investigation and review of my decision.

Yours faithfu

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