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Gerard Byrne <a href="mailto:fyi-requests.fyi.org.nz">fyi-request-10298-9a07be12@requests.fyi.org.nz</a>

REF: OIA-5124

Dear Gerard

## Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 13 May 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

...all Reports, memos, letters, notes, advice and emails related to the complaints made by the Maintenance Contract Manager for Northland in 2015 against the Journey Manager for Northland in 2015 and the Asset Manager for Northland in 2015.

Also all other Reports, memos, letters, notes, advice and emails relating to any other bullying complaint laid in the Northland office from 2010-2016.

I answer each part of your request in turn, below.

1. can you please provide me with all Reports, memos, letters, notes, advice and emails related to the complaints made by the Maintenance Contract Manager for Northland in 2015 against the Journey Manager for Northland in 2015 and the Asset Manager for Northland in 2015.

I have withheld this information under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. This section allows us to withhold information to protect the privacy of natural persons.

2. Also all other Reports, memos, letters, notes, advice and emails relating to any other bullying complaint laid in the Northland office from 2010–2016.

There were no other complaints laid in the Northland office during the period 2010-2016. Therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the documents alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to withhold information under your request. You can find the contact details for the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the Transport Agency, please contact Katrina Leather, Lead Advisor Employment Relations, by email to katrina.leather@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on 04 894 5400.

Yours sincerely

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