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By email: fyi-request-12219-53f71e98@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr O'Riley

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

I refer to your online information request to Police of 12 February 2020, in which you ask for, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982:

(1) The date at which the New Zealand Police were first formally advised of the New Zealand First Foundation in an official capacity. For clarity this includes either the complaint made by the electoral commission on February 10 or any advice given by any other party to investigate the foundation.

(2) When did the New Zealand First party formally make police aware of their intention for the foundation to be investigated to ensure it complied with all relevant legislation.

(3) When did the New Zealand First party first make police aware of their intention for the alleged 'leaker' of party documents to be investigated.

In response to your first question, I can advise that the Electoral Commission first formally advised New Zealand Police on the 5th of February 2020 when they requested a meeting to pass on their file relating to the New Zealand First Foundation for further investigation.

This meeting subsequently took place on Monday the 10th of February where the file was provided to Police.

In relation to your two remaining questions, to date no contact has been made by the New Zealand First party with Police in relation to either matter.

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

Yours sincerely


Craig Scott
Detective Inspector
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