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Dear Jaye Barclay

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 29 May 2020 for information relating to deaths associated with fleeing driver events.

You requested:

 Other encounters with the New Zealand police that resulted in civilian casualties (e.g. deaths during chases, in crashes caused by police cars etc.) with dates and ethnicity of the victim listed [...] I would also like to know the names of each person [...] as far back as the records go.

New Zealand Police can provide you with information on all persons, including drivers, passengers and other road users, who have died in crashes after a driver fled Police from 2009 onwards. This is attached for your reference. Only identifying information that is publicly available has been provided. Other identifying information is refused pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982 in that the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

Please note that ethnicity data is not held by Police. As such, this part of your request has been refused pursuant to section 18(g)(i) of the Official Information Act 1982 in that the information requested is not held by Police and Police has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority.

You have the right, under section 28 (3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Inspector Mike Brooklands
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