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Dear Mr Ecclestone

Official Information Act 1982 Request: United Nations Convention against Corruption review

Thank you for your email of 5 November 2021, in which you requested information concerning the United Nations Convention against corruption (UNCAC) review, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Specifically, you requested:

- 1. Please provide us with a copy of New Zealand's Self-Assessment Checklists created under the first and second cycle of the implementation review of the UN Convention against Corruption (UNCAC). If these documents are available in several languages, please provide them in all available languages. In case these documents are already publicly accessible online, please provide us with the link(s) to them.
- 2. Please provide us with the full review reports on New Zealand's implementation of the UN Convention against Corruption from the first and second implementation review cycles. If available in several languages, please provide us with the documents in all available languages. In case these documents are already publicly accessible online, please provide us with the link(s) to them.
- 3. Did any representatives of civil society, non-governmental organisations or other non-state actors participate in, or contribute to, the first and second cycle of the implementation review of the UN Convention against Corruption?
- a. If yes, please provide us with a list of the organisations, entities or non-State actors who participated in or contributed to the review processes, including information to which review cycle the respective person or organisation contributed to.
- b. Please provide us with available information on the form of their participation and contributions, and available information on how these contributions were invited or facilitated by the government (for example, if comments on documents were sought, if written contributions were received and if so, how many, if there was a

meeting with the country reviewers and non-state actors, and if so, how many organisations and who participated).

- 4. Please provide us with information on the current status/stage of the second review cycle of the UN Convention against Corruption.
- 5. Please provide us with the name and contact information (department, organisation and email) of the government's UNCAC focal point (the person coordinating the second cycle of the UNCAC implementation review).
- 6. Please provide us with information and any relevant documents regarding actions that have been taken to discuss, address and implement findings and recommendations made in the first and second cycle of the implementation review process of the UN Convention against Corruption.

A response to your request is being prepared. However due to the need for extensive consultation, a response cannot reasonably be made in the time limit. Accordingly, I am extending the due date of your request by 20 working days under section 15A of the Act and will respond to you by 21 January 2022. Please note this date takes into account the Official Information Act request stand down period that allows for the Christmas break. This runs from 25 December – 15 January. We will endeavour to respond to you earlier than this.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to complain to the Ombudsman about the decision to extend your request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by emailing info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

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