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Tēnā koe Sebastian

Thank you for your email of 23 May 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

1. *“Copies of all Internal Affairs Weekly Status Reports received by the minister dated since 18 March;*
2. *“The Content Regulatory Review in the context of the Christchurch Call and mis/disinformation” (8 April 2022);*
3. *“Office of Film and Literature Classification Quarter Two 2021/22 Report” (8 April 2022);*
4. *“Options for a voluntary filtering system to prevent access to objectionable digital terrorist and violent extremist content” (11 April 2022);*
5. *“Meeting with the Free Speech Union” (14 April 2022);*
6. *“Public release of the Digital Violent Extremism Transparency Report” (22 April 2022);*
7. *“Te Mana Whakaatu Classification Office research: survey on classification and media content harms” (27 April 2022);*
8. *“Content Regulatory Review engagement summary” (28 April 2022);*  
*and*
9. *“Content Regulatory Review timeline update and next steps” (28 April 2022).”*

I am releasing 14 of the 17 documents that fall within scope of your request. These are attached as **Appendix A**.

Some of the information in these 14 documents is being withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- section 6(c) – to avoid prejudice to the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial;
- section 6(d) – this information is likely to endanger the safety of any person;
- section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons;
- section 9(2)(b)(ii) – this information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information;

- section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the constitutional conventions of the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials;
- section 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through free and frank opinion; and
- section 9(2)(j) – to enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

The remaining three documents are being withheld in full or have been refused for releasing under the following sections of the Act:

- section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the constitutional conventions of the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials;
- section 18(d) – this information is or will soon be publicly available; and
- section 18(e) – the document does not exist.

As is required by section 9(1) of the Act, I have considered whether the grounds for withholding information from the documents provided with this response are outweighed by other considerations which would make it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available. In this instance, I do not consider that to be the case.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Act, to seek an investigation and review of my decision by the Office of the Ombudsman. The postal address of the Office of the Ombudsman is PO Box 10152, Wellington. Alternatively, you can phone 0800 802 602 or email [info@ombudsman.parliament.govt.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.govt.nz).

Thank you again for writing.

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jan Tinetti', written in a cursive style.

Hon Jan Tinetti  
**Minister of Internal Affairs**

## Appendix A: Documents for OIA request

#	Name of document	Document date	Release or withhold	Withholding grounds
1.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 24 March 2022	24 March 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv)
2.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 31 March 2022	31 March 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv)
3.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 7 April 2022	7 April 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv)
4.	The Content Regulatory Review in the context of the Christchurch Call and mis/disinformation	8 April 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(g)(i) 9(2)(i)
5.	Office of Film and Literature Classification Quarter Two 2021/22 Report	8 April 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a).
6.	Options for a voluntary filtering system to prevent access to objectionable digital terrorist and violent extremist content (TVEC)	11 April 2022	Partially Release	6(c) 9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv)
7.	Meeting with the Free Speech Union	14 April 2022	Partially Release	6(d) 9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(g)(i)
8.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 14 April 2022	14 April 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(g)(i)

#	Name of document	Document date	Release or withhold	Withholding grounds
9.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 21 April 2022	21 April 2022	Partially Release	6(b) 9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv)
10.	Public release of the Digital Violent Extremism Transparency Report	22 April 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a)
11.	Research: survey on classification and media content harms	27 April 2022	Withhold in Full	18(d)
12.	Content Regulatory Review engagement summary	28 April 2022	Withhold in Full	18(e)
13.	Content Regulatory Review timeline update and next steps	28 April 2022	Withhold in Full	9(2)(f)(iv)
14.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 28 April 2022	28 April 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(b)(ii)
15.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 5 May 2022	5 May 2022	Partially Release	6(c) 9(2)(a) 9(2)(b)(ii) 9(2)(f)(iv)
16.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 12 May 2022	12 May 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(g)(i)
17.	Internal Affairs Status Report Week Ending 19 May 2022	19 May 2022	Partially Release	9(2)(a) 9(2)(f)(iv)