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Dear Richard

**Official Information Act request 22.32 Professor Brady disclosures**

I refer to the Official Information Act request dated 3 June 2022 for information relating to Professor Anne-Marie Brady. You have requested the following:

*My understanding is that the University of Canterbury's Research Conduct Policy requires conflicts of interest by researchers to be disclosed.*

*As you are no doubt aware, your employee Anne-Marie Brady receives payment from both:*

*\* the US 'National Endowment for Democracy' (NED), a group described by its first President, Carl Gershman, as a successor to the CIA in funding groups intended to subvert independent governments to advance American interests*

*\* the 'Australian Strategic Policy Institute' (ASPI), a group that exists to funnel money from Lockheed Martin, Raytheon, and other military industrial contractors to those paid to promote their products*

*I am seeking information held by the University in regards:*

- 1. all conflicts of interest and funding sources disclosed by Brady*
- 2. any funding to the Department of Political Science and International Relations or other UoC departments connected to Brady's output*
- 3. conflicts of interest and funding disclosed by other UoC employees in connection to ASPI and the NED*

Please see below for the response to your queries:

1. Professor Anne- Marie Brady has no conflicts of interest that have been declared by her to the University of Canterbury (UC).

Professor Brady is on sabbatical for 2022. Professor Brady holds several honorary positions. She is a Global Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson Centre in Washington DC and a Senior Fellow at the Australian Strategic Policy Institute. In 2014 she was appointed to a two-year term on the World Economic Forum's Global Action Council on the Arctic. She is an advisor to the Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China (IPAC).

Research contracts involving Professor Brady as notified to UC's Research and Innovation (R&I) Office are as follows:

- 2017-2020: Small states and the new security environment

North Atlantic Treaty Organization - Science for Peace and Security Programme. 2015-2016: Chinas polar strategy: security, resources and science

Gerda Henkel Stiftung – Special Programme Security, Society, and the State.

- 2012 Visiting Fellowship NZ Studies Centre at Beijing University

New Zealand Centre at Peking University – Visiting Fellowship

- 2010 Symposium on the Politics of Antarctica

Royal Society of New Zealand – International Conference fund

- 2005-2009: Marketing Dictatorship: Propaganda and Thought Work in Contemporary China

Royal Society of New Zealand – Marsden Fund

2. Funding for academic projects or work is not connected to a Department but rather it is awarded directly to the academic that carries out that work, in this instance Professor Brady. Therefore, there is no funding to the Political Science and International Relations Department, or any other UC Department or School. The information on funding connected with Professor Brady is detailed above in paragraph 1. External research funding is the responsibility of the individual staff member because it is used to support the individuals own research activities, and they hold the explicit responsibilities of the management and delivery of the research, consistent with all UC's policies.

3. This information is refused under s 18(e) of the Act, as it does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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