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Ref: OIA 22-131

Mr Scott Miller

By email: fyi-request-19974-d09bb4ec@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Miller

## Request for information under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email on 20 July 2022 to the New Zealand Customs Service (Customs), requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"I would like to make a request for copies of all Privacy Impact Assessments produced for Joint Border Analytics team initiatives since the beginning of 2020".

In response, attached are five Privacy Impact Assessments produced for Joint Border Analytics team initiatives since 2020:

- Overarching Privacy Impact Assessment for single agency analytics
- Shore Parties
- Sea Freight
- Counter Terrorism
- Extreme Right Wing.

Some information in these documents has been withheld in accordance with the following grounds under the Act:

- section 6(c) of the Act, where the release of information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial
- section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act, where withholding information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
- section 9(2)(g)(ii) of the Act, where withholding information is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the protection of Customs staff from improper pressure or harassment
- section 9(2)(h) of the Act, where withholding information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.

Customs has considered the public interest arguments in favour of making this information available, however, it is considered that these interests do not outweigh the necessity to withhold the information.

You have the right, by way of complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act, to seek an investigation and review of the decision conveyed in this letter.

If you have any queries in relation to this response, please contact the Correspondence, Reviews and Ministerial Servicing team at <a href="OIA@customs.govt.nz">OIA@customs.govt.nz</a>.

Please note that Customs proactively releases responses to Official Information Act requests on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after we have sent it to you. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Yours sincerely

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