

30 August 2022

IR-01-22-22505

Brendan White
fyi-request-20077-97fb5de8@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Brendan

I refer to your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request to Police of 29 July 2022, in which you ask for:

“Please supply all information pertaining to the decision making process regarding the release of the of the two linked documents in particular the differences in decision making for the sections which are redacted in one release but not the other. This could be (but is not limited to) emails, memos, or information known by the police but not yet written down.

I am trying to understand why the release of the redacted sections might prejudice the maintenance of the law in one case, but not in another.

If the two documents are different versions (which I cannot tell from my end) please also provide comment as far as practicably allowed as to the extent of change to the redacted sections. For example please let me know if they are substantially the same, or contain major revisions.

If it helps you in processing my request - I reside in New Zealand.

[Links provided]”

The first OIA you refer to (reference: IR-01-20-2028) is a Police response to a request for information about ‘the procedure to investigate a burglary when the suspect is known’.

Redactions to that response were made in relation to information that was either not relevant to the request, or was refused pursuant to section 6(c) OIA.

The second OIA (reference: IR-01-18-11600) was a specific request for information around individuals, photographing and filming in public, and peeping and peering into a dwelling house.

The two documents are different versions of the same policy. Police Manual Chapters are regularly updated.

I enclose the two relevant Police OIA Request Cover Sheets, which contain information about the approval process applied in each case.

The two OIA releases were made by different members of Police, from different groups within Police, over a year apart.

Police National Headquarters

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There is no other Police document that explains how the respective members of Police applied the provisions of OIA which resulted in the different releases of the policy document.

Your request for information known to Police but not written down is refused pursuant to section 18(g) OIA, as there is no further information held.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.



Craig Scott
Detective Inspector
Police National Headquarters



Police National Headquarters Official Information Act Request

Urgent <input type="checkbox"/>	Confidential to Police <input type="checkbox"/>	High Organisational Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Charge Applied <input type="checkbox"/>
Requester Name & Primary point of contact (email/postal address) Carolyn Long email: fyi-request-12018-14c45d28@requests.fyi.org.nz		Summary of information request: The procedure to investigate a burglary when the suspect is known.	
File Reference: IR-01-20-1028	Ministerial Services Liaison: Hollis Knight	Date request received: 13/01/2020	Date response due with requester: 14/02/2020
Extension <input type="checkbox"/>			
BUSINESS GROUP CLAIM TEAM			
ASSIGNEE		SME	
Name: <i>DSS PAUL HAMPTON</i> Date: <i>14/01/2020</i> Ext: XXXXXXXXXX		Name: _____ Date: _____ Ext: _____	
LEGAL SERVICES REVIEW (If Required)			
Endorsed for release <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS: <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em;"><i>N/A</i></div>		Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: _____		Name: _____	
SUPERVISOR REVIEW (If Required)			
Endorsed for release <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Date: <i>28/01/2020</i>		Name: <i>Carly Scott</i>	
NATIONAL MANAGER / DIRECTOR REVIEW			
Endorsed for release <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS:		Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: <i>28/1/2020</i>		Signature: <i>[Signature]</i> EXECUTIVE REVIEW	
Approved for release <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS:		Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: <i>30/01/20</i>		Signature: <i>[Signature]</i> Richard Chambers Assistant Commissioner Police National Headquarters	
EXECUTIVE REVIEW (if more than one required)			
Approved for release <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS:		Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: _____		Signature: _____	
PUBLIC AFFAIRS REVIEW			
Approved for release <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMENTS:		Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date: <i>4.2.20</i>		Signature: <i>[Signature]</i> MINISTERIAL SERVICES	
Reply sent <input type="checkbox"/>	Date Sent: dd/mm/year		

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Urgent Confidential to Police High Organisational Impact Charge Applied

Requester Name & Primary point of contact (email/postal address)

Joseph None
email: fyi-request-8675-7834c0ce@requests.fyi.org.nz

Summary of information request:

filming and peeping toms Dear New Zealand Police, I would like to also request the following police information/manuals (if it exists) 1. Police manual chapters relating to public photography/filming in public 2. Police manual chapters relating to the act peeping and peering in a dwellinghous...

File Reference: IR-01-18-11600
Ministerial Services Liaison: Holly Foxwell
Date request received: 14/09/2018
Date response due with requester: 12/10/2018
Extension 9/11/2018

BUSINESS GROUP CLAIM TEAM

ASSIGNEE Name: _____ SME Name: _____
Date: _____ Ext: _____ Date: _____ Ext: _____

LEGAL SERVICES REVIEW (If Required)
Endorsed for release Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action
COMMENTS:

Date: _____ Name: _____

SUPERVISOR REVIEW (If Required)
Endorsed for release
Date: 12/10/18. Name: Ashika A Williams

NATIONAL MANAGER / DIRECTOR REVIEW
Endorsed for release Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action
COMMENTS:

Date: 16/10/2018 Signature: Scott NM:R10

EXECUTIVE REVIEW
Approved for release Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action
COMMENTS:

Date: 23/10/18. Signature: _____

EXECUTIVE REVIEW (if more than one required)
Approved for release Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action
COMMENTS:

Date: _____ Signature: _____

PUBLIC AFFAIRS REVIEW
Approved for release Suggested changes as attached. Returned to document writer for action
COMMENTS:

Date: 25.10.18 Signature: _____

MINISTERIAL SERVICES
Reply sent Date Sent: dd/mm/year