

IR-01-22-37153

11 January 2023

J Beddek fyi-request-20924-ad54f6a5@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear J Beddek

#### Request for information

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 30 November 2022, in which you asked for information regarding the response to your OIA request IR-01-22-32446.

You requested:

all correspondence regarding my OIA request IR-01-22-32446. This includes but is not limited to all information relating to the decision of the NZ Police to refuse to provide the grounds for withholding information within the above OIA request. This also includes correspondence with third-parties who may have been contacted for consultations regarding the requested information, and all correspondence about releasing the revised redacted document "Account Takeover Policy Police Instructions for J Beddek FYI.pdf".

Please find attached the correspondence requested.

It has been necessary to withhold some information under the following sections of the OIA:

- section 9(2)(a): to protect the privacy of individual persons, Police considers the interests requiring protection by withholding the information are not outweighed by any public interest in release of the information.
- section 9(2)(g)(i): in order to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and expression of opinions.
- section 9(2)(h): to maintain legal professional privilege.

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: <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a>.

Yours sincerely

Joenn -

Darryl Sweeney Manager – Covert Unit (NCIG) New Zealand Police

## **Police National Headquarters**

From: SWEENEY, Darryl
To: SAMU, Robyn

Cc: CLARK, Kaitlin; LYONS, Jodie; Ministerial Services; MILLS, Stuart

 Subject:
 RE: Compile Response - IR-01-22-32446

 Date:
 Tuesday, 25 October 2022 7:21:57 PM

Attachments: image001.png

#### Hi Robyn

Can you extract this request for me please send it to me and set up a folder.

I am interested in the theft question as that might not be for us..

I will come and see you on Thursday or Friday whilst I am in Wellington.

Jodie once you have assessed you piece can you send to Robyn who will maintain a folder.

Thanks

Darryl

## **Darryl Sweeney**

## **Detective Inspector**

## **National Criminal Investigation Group.**

Manager Covert.

National Coordinator.

**Operation Cobalt. National Gang Focus.** 



From: MILLS, Stuart

Sent: Friday, 21 October 2022 7:39 AM

To: Ministerial Services

**Cc:** CLARK, Kaitlin; SWEENEY, Darryl; LYONS, Jodie **Subject:** FW: Compile Response - IR-01-22-32446

Good morning

In Kaitlin's absence could you please assign this matter to Darryl Sweeney.

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Ministerial Services – can you please provide Darryl the charging policy.

Regards

Stu

## **Detective Inspector Stuart Mills**

## **Safer Communities Together**

Sent: Thursday, October 20, 2022 1:13 PM

**Subject:** Compile Response - IR-01-22-32446

Task Details				
Participant:	National Criminal Investigations Group	Received Date:	Oct 20, 2022 1:13:27 PM NZDT	
Status:	New	Date Read:	Oct 20, 2022 1:13:27 PM NZDT	
Due Date:	Nov 18, 2022 11:59:00 PM NZDT	Priority:	Normal	
Task Name:	Compile Response - Claim Team	Run Task:	Please login to NZ-Police BPM	
Subject:	Compile Response - IR-01-22-32446			

# **Task Narrative**

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From: SWEENEY, Darryl < <u>Darryl.Sweeney@police.govt.nz</u>>

Sent: Tuesday, 25 October 2022 9:30 PM

**To:** Ministerial Services < <a href="mailto:Ministerial.Services@police.govt.nz">Ministerial.Services@police.govt.nz</a> <a href="mailto:Cc: CLARK">Cc: CLARK</a>, Kaitlin < <a href="mailto:Kaitlin.Clark@police.govt.nz">Kaitlin.Clark@police.govt.nz</a> <a href="mailto:Kotalkonton.govt.nz">Kotalkonton.govt.nz</a> <a href="mailto:Lork@police.govt.nz">LYONS</a>, Jodie

<xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx
>; MILLS, Stuart <xxxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xxxx.xxxxx</pre>

Subject: RE: Compile Response - IR-01-22-32446

Thanks

## **Darryl Sweeney**

## **Detective Inspector**

## **National Criminal Investigation Group.**

Manager Covert.

National Coordinator.

**Operation Cobalt. National Gang Focus.** 

[SE E mail]

M <sup>s9(2)(a)</sup>

E xxxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx.xx

Sent: Friday, 21 October 2022 8:27 AM

**To:** SWEENEY, Darryl <xxxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx >

<<u>xxxxx.xxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx</u>>; MILLS, Stuart <xxxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xxx

Subject: RE: Compile Response - IR-01-22-32446

Hi Darryl

Attached is the OIA charging policy; it hasn't been released under the OIA before, but I've read through it and don't believe it needs any redactions. I'll get formal permission for its release from the Director Min Services and save a copy in the IR file for record keeping.

Kind regards,

Sophie

Senior Advisor, Ministerial Services

Police National Headquarters Wellington [SE E mail]

Sent: Friday, 21 October 2022 7:39 AM

<<u>xxxxxx.xxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx.xx</u>>; LYONS, Jodie <<u>xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx</u>>

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#### **Detective Inspector Stuart Mills**

Investigations Manager | National Organised Crime Group | Te Ohu Whakamana Taihara o Aotearoa

From: SWEENEY, Darryl

To: LYONS, Jodie; SAMU, Robyn
Subject: Re: Account takeover policy (2).pdf
Date: Friday, 28 October 2022 11:49:49 PM

Attachments: image005.png

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#### Hi Jodie

If you can finalise what will be provided and final redacted product and provide to Robyn, we can add that to the package.

Regards Darryl

Darryl Sweeney.
Detective Inspector.
NM NCIC Covert.
Op Cobalt

On 28/10/2022, at 3:59 PM, LYONS, Jodie wrote:

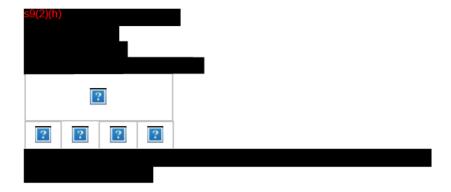
## Darryl,

Have included the background in the email thread below.

I am inclined to withhold the consent for account takeover policy pursuant to 6(c)

#### s9(2)(h)





Happy to discuss.

Jodie

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:







 From:
 LYONS, Jodie

 To:
 SAMU, Robyn

 Cc:
 SWEENEY, Darryl

Subject:OIA Response: Takeover PolicyDate:Monday, 31 October 2022 6:08:42 AMAttachments:Account takeover policy (2).pdf

Good Morning Robyn,

RE: IR-01-22-32446

Please find a 'marked for redaction' version of the Consent for Account Takeover Policy for this OIA request.

Redactions applied pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Official Information Act 1982.

Thanks

Jodie

## Jodie Lyons - JPI702

From: OLSSON, Warren
To: SAMU, Robyn

**Subject:** RE: OIA IR-01-22-32446 - Police Manual chapters

**Date:** Monday, 7 November 2022 2:50:58 PM

Attachments: Theft marked.pdf

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Hi Robyn

Attached.

w.o.

#### Warren Olsson

**Acting Detective Inspector | New Zealand Police** 

Manager: Strategy & Capability

**National Criminal Investigations Group** 

Police National Headquarters | PO Box 3017, Wellington



From: SAMU, Robyn

Sent: Monday, 7 November 2022 2:02 PM

To: OLSSON, Warren

Subject: OIA IR-01-22-32446 - Police Manual chapters

Hi Warren,

I'm managing an OIA on behalf of Darryl Sweeney, it is asking: Please release each of the following Police Manual chapters:

- Account takeover policy
- Charging for Official Information requests
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- Theft

For each of the Police Manual chapters listed above, please release the following information:

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- c. The next planned review date of the document.
- d. The licence under which the document and any accompanying information is released.

I have a marked up version of the Account takeover policy from Jodie Lyons;

The Charging for Official Information requests from Ministerial Services;

I'm waiting on Undercover Policing from Peter Mallon, will chase this today,

Which leaves the Theft chapter, Darryl was going to look at this but he overseas all week so was wondering if there is anyone else who could mark up this document?

It's due with Ministerial services today, and due with the requestor 18 November 2022. I'll request an extension to give more time to finish this off.

Thanks for your help

Robyn

## Robyn Samu

**Investigation Support Unit Officer** 



Sent: Monday, 7 November 2022 2:56 PM

Subject: RE: OIA request - Undercover policing document

Hi Peter,

Just following up on the below request regarding whether this document can be released as part of an OIA, and if so what redactions are necessary, or what section it should be withheld under? Thanks for your help

Robyn

From: SAMU, Robyn

Sent: Friday, 28 October 2022 9:08 AM

**To:** MALLON, Peter < xxxxx.xxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx > **Subject:** OIA request - Undercover policing document

Morning Peter,

I have an OIA request I am managing for Darry Sweeney, the request is:

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If possible, I would prefer that the information be released under the Creative Commons Attribute 4.0 licence (CC BY 4.0) [1], which is recommended under the NZGOAL framework [2]. Cabinet has invited NZ Police to take NZGOAL into account when releasing copyright material and noncopyright material to the public for re-use [3].

If NZ Police decides to refuse my request under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 because the information will soon be publicly available, I ask that you also provide me with some detail as to the plan for when these documents will be made publicly available.

Please provide this information in an accessible, searchable format without a watermark.

If any information needs to be withheld from a document, please ensure this is not done in a way that makes the surrounding content (such as other content on the same page) inaccessible.

I am a New Zealand citizen.

Ngā mihi,

J. Beddek

- [1] https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/
- [2] https://www.data.govt.nz/toolkit/policies/nzgoal/
- [3] https://www.data.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/cab-min-10-24-5a-5-july-2010.pdf

Darryl has asked me to contact you in regard to the Undercover policing document.

Can you have a look and advise if this can be released, or released as a redacted document. As it is classified as restricted I'd assume it will be withheld, but if you can let me know that would be

appreciated.

The OIA is due with Ministerial Services by 7/11/22.

**Thanks** 

Robyn

# Robyn Samu

**Investigation Support Unit Officer** 

NZ Police National Headquarters, 180 Molesworth Street, Thorndon 6011, Wellington



From: SAMU, Robyn
To: Ministerial Services

Subject: IR-01-22-32446 - extend due date please Date: Tuesday, 8 November 2022 7:42:00 AM

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Hi there,

OIA IR-01-22-32446 J Beddek – FYI is due 18 November 2022, and with Ministerial Services 7 Nov.

I am still consulting with parts of the business on this s9(2)(h)

so can we extend the due date to 16 December 2022 please.

Thanks

Robyn

## Robyn Samu

**Investigation Support Unit Officer** 

NZ Police National Headquarters, 180 Molesworth Street, Thorndon 6011, Wellington



From: <u>Ministerial Services</u>
To: <u>SAMU, Robyn</u>

**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Extension Notification for IR-01-22-32446

**Date:** Wednesday, 9 November 2022 7:45:27 AM

#### Morena Robyn

You are currently working on R-01-22-32446. The requester has stipulated two more things in regards to the chapters he has requested. They are:

- 1. If any information is withheld under section 6 of the Act, please provide both the reason for the removal of the information as well as the grounds in support of that reason as outlined by section 17(2)(b) of the Act.
- 2. Please release each listed Police Manual chapter as a separate document (i.e. not attached to the response letter).

I'm sure Police provide reasons for withholding anyway, and, the second stipulation is not an added question, only how he would like the request to be provided.

Are you okay with this?

Kind regards

Catherine English
[SE E mail]
Ministerial Advisor
Ministerial Services
Police National Headquarters

----Original Message----

From: J. Beddek <fyi-request-20924-ad54f6a5@requests fyi.org nz>

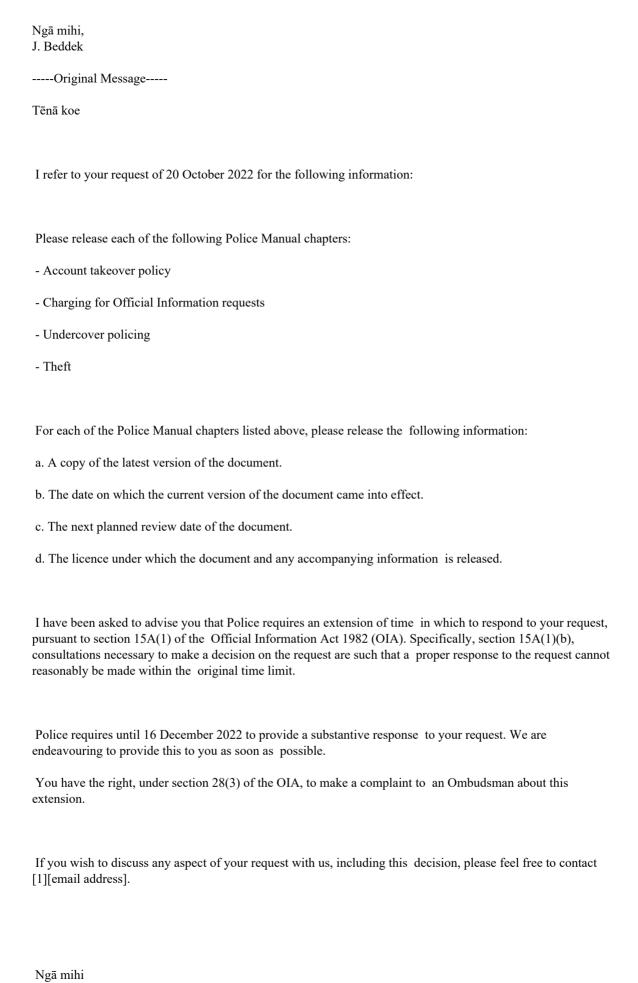
Sent: Tuesday, 8 November 2022 7:54 PM

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Tēnā koe,

I wish to request further information/clarification with regards to the documents in my original request. I assume that given the time extension you require this should not be an issue. I do not intend this to be perceived as a separate OIA request.

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Julián (he/him)

Ministerial Services Advisor

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From: SAMU, Robyn
To: SWEENEY, Darryl

**Subject:** OIA IR-01-22-32446 Police Manual Chapters - for review

Date: Tuesday, 15 November 2022 3:26:00 PM
Attachments: Account takeover policy markedup.pdf

Charging for Official Information Act 1982 requests -for release.pdf

Undercover policing - Marked for Redaction updated.pdf

Theft markedup.pdf

REs9(2)(a) IR-01-22-22497 reviewinput.msg

J Beddek IR-01-22-32446 draft response Police Manual Chapters.docx

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#### Hi Darryl,

Attached is the draft response and documents for your review for this OIA:

Please release each of the following Police Manual chapters:

- Account takeover policy reviewed and redacted by Jodie Lyons
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- *Undercover policing* reviewed and redacted by Peter Mallon
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Both b. and c. above I found as part of the police chapter under police instructions.

#### s9(2)(h)

Thanks

Robyn

## Robyn Samu

**Investigation Support Unit Officer** 

NZ Police National Headquarters, 180 Molesworth Street, Thorndon 6011, Wellington

#### 9(2)(a)

[SE E mail]

From: SAMU, Robyn

Sent: Wednesday, 26 October 2022 10:15 AM

To: SWEENEY, Darryl

Subject: RE: Compile Response - IR-01-22-32446

Hi Darrvl.

Welcome back! Hope you had a great break.

Do you want me to assign the file to you in iRT? Or if it's easier I can hold that and manage the process through Ministerial Services?

The actual request is as follows:

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 From:
 WEBB, Michael (Mike)

 To:
 DAVENPORT, Penni (Pen)

**Subject:** RE: **s9(2)(a)** IR-01-22-22497 review/input

**Date:** Friday, 12 August 2022 4:23:50 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

## Hey Penni

Happy to cast an eye over this ... and, FWIW, there's nothing about the proposed response which causes any discomfort from my perspective.

Re: the following draft wording:



Over to you, and good luck with the Exec review and consultation process.

## Mike Webb

**Director: Assurance**Assurance Group



## Kaupapa whai Oranga mō te iti me te rahi

Part of the Strategy and Service Group

From: DAVENPORT, Penni (Penni Davenport) <xxxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx.xxx

**Sent:** Friday, August 12, 2022 3:31 PM

**Subject:** \$9(2)(a) IR-01-22-22497 review/input

Hi Mike

I am drafting a response for <sup>59(2)(a)</sup> about our Disclosure under the Official Information Act
1982 (OIA)" Police Manual chapter. Question 4 of the request I needed help with. Paul Comer
suggested <sup>\$9(2)(h)</sup> as did Sheree De Malmanche. Mr
clarified what he meant in the attached email.
s9(2)(h)

I need to send this for Exec review and Ministers Notification so if I could get a response prior to 17 August it would be most appreciated.

Ngā mihi,

Penni

Penni Davenport | Senior Advisor - Ministerial Services Policy & Partnerships | PNHQ | \$\frac{59(2)(a)}{2}\$



E tu ki te kei o te waka, kia pakia koe e nga ngaru o te wa –

Stand at the stern of the canoe and feel the spray of the future biting at your face.

 From:
 SWEENEY, Darryl

 To:
 SAMU, Robyn

 Cc:
 JAGO, Geoffrey (Geoff)

**Subject:** FW: OIA IR-01-22-32446 Police Manual Chapters - for review

 Date:
 Wednesday, 16 November 2022 8:04:59 AM

 Attachments:
 Account takeover policy markedup.pdf

Charging for Official Information Act 1982 requests -for release.pdf

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**Thanks** 

# Darryl Sweeney Detective Inspector National Criminal Investigation Group.

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Robyn

From: JAGO, Geoffrey (Geoff)

To: SAMU, Robyn

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Date: Thursday, 17 November 2022 3:46:20 PM
Attachments: Account takeover policy markedup.pdf

Charging for Official Information Act 1982 requests -for release.pdf

Undercover policing - Marked for Redaction updated.pdf

Theft markedup.pdf

RE s9(2)(a) IR-01-22-22497 reviewinput.msg

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J Beddek IR-01-22-32446 draft response Police Manual Chapters v2 signed.docx

Thanks Robyn. Approved.

#### Regards Geoff JAGO

Detective Inspector

Acting Director: NCIG

Police National Headquarters | PO Box 3017 | Wellington

Extn: <u>\$9(2)</u> | DDI: <u>\$9(2)(a)</u> | Mobile: <u>\$9(2)(a)</u> | Email: <u>xxxxx,xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xxx</u>xx

From: SAMU, Robyn

Sent: Thursday, 17 November 2022 9:44 AM

To: JAGO, Geoffrey (Geoff)

Subject: FW: OIA IR-01-22-32446 Police Manual Chapters - for your review

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Robyn

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## **Detective Inspector**

## **National Criminal Investigation Group.**

National Manager CHiS.UCP.

**National Coordinator.** 

**Operation Cobalt. National Gang Focus.** 



From: REISER, Simone
To: SAMU, Robyn

**Subject:** RE: OIA IR-01-22-32446 Police Manual Chapters - for your review

**Date:** Friday, 18 November 2022 3:37:21 PM

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Thanks Robyn

Fine from a strat comms perspective.

Approved. Simone

From: SAMU, Robyn

Sent: Thursday, 17 November 2022 3:58 PM

To: REISER, Simone

Subject: FW: OIA IR-01-22-32446 Police Manual Chapters - for your review

Hi Simone,

It's a day for OIA's!

Here is another HOI OIA for Strat Comms review.

Thanks heaps,

Robyn

## Robyn Samu

#### **Investigation Support Unit Officer**

NZ Police National Headquarters, 180 Molesworth Street, Thorndon 6011, Wellington

s9(2)(a)

[SE E mail]

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Geoff JAGO
Detective Inspector
Acting Director: NCIG

Police National Headquarters | PO Box 3017 | Wellington

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[SE E mail]

From: SAMU, Robyn
To: Ministerial Services

**Subject:** OIA IR-01-22-32446 Police Manual Chapters - for Senior Advisor review

**Date:** Monday, 21 November 2022 8:35:00 AM

Attachments: image001.png

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#### Good morning,

The above OIA has been submitted to Ministerial Services for Senior Advisor and Exec review. I have also attached an emailed to the iRT file with the subject 'RE [89(2)(a)] IR-01-22-22497 review input from Mark Evans', this is from a previous OIA that asked the same questions but for different police manual chapters. [89(2)(fi)]

Thanks

Robyn

## Robyn Samu

**Investigation Support Unit Officer** 

NZ Police National Headquarters, 180 Molesworth Street, Thorndon 6011, Wellington



From: <u>Ministerial Services</u>
To: <u>WARREN, Sophie</u>

**Subject:** RE: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding grounds OIA response IR-01-22-32446

**Date:** Wednesday, 30 November 2022 10:56:42 AM

Thanks, will do

----Original Message----

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 10:26 AM

Subject: RE: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding grounds OIA response IR-01-22-32446

Here is a starter for 10 you could run past the workgroup and see if they're happy with it ---or can adjust it as they see fit. "As you will appreciate, it is important that Police protect its methods of investigation and detection, especially when undertaking covert activity. To release this type of information would risk those committing offenses becoming familiar with Policing techniques and makes it more likely that they will evade detection. Accordingly, this information has been withheld under section 6(c) of the OIA"

Ngā mihi

Sophie Warren
P s9(2)(a)
[SE E mail]

-----Original Message-----From: WARREN, Sophie

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 10:18 AM

Subject: RE: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding grounds OIA response IR-01-22-32446

Yeah a lot of information was redacted in order to protect police methods re investigation and detection of offences, but that has been stated in the response already. I would just go directly to the drafter to see if there is anything further they can say about it.

Ngā mihi

Sophie Warren PS9(2)(a) [SE E mail]

----Original Message----

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 10:06 AM

To: WARREN, Sophie <xxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxxx

Subject: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding grounds OIA response IR-01-22-32446

Hi Sophie, how's your iso going? I hear you're getting negative tests now, that's great.

Fi suggested I check with you on this response query, as you did the Senior Review on it.

J Beddek clearly wanted more explanation on the hidden content, of which there was a lot.

Kind regards, Michelle

----Original Message----

From: MOFFITT, Fiona (Fi) <xxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx.xxx

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 9:12 AM

To: Ministerial Services < Ministerial Services@police.govt nz>

Subject: FW: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding grounds OIA response IR-01-22-32446

Hi Michelle

I am not surprised this one has come back - expected we would get pushback given the very specific request for explanation in the letter.

It was reviewed by Sophie - might be worth checking with her in the first instance.

Fi

----Original Message----

From: Ministerial Services < Ministerial Services @police.govt.nz >

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 9:04 am

To: MOFFITT, Fiona (Fi) <Fiona.Moffitt@police.govt.nz>

Subject: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding grounds OIA response IR-01-22-32446

Hi Fi

J Beddek of FYI has queried the response received to IR-01-22-32446 (attached) and points out he/she specifically stated in the request:

"If any information is withheld under section 6 of the Act, please provide both the reason for the removal of the information as well as the grounds in support of that reason as outlined by section 17(2)(b) of the Act."

NCIG completed the request and quoted the withholding ground in the relevant parts of the redacted docs, and their letter of response stated:

"Please note that it has been necessary to withhold some information within these chapters pursuant to 6(c) of the OIA as the making available of the information is likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences and the right to a fair trial."

Beddek clearly wanted more explanation of the hidden content (of which there was a lot) - but is what NCIG stated sufficient?

Kind regards, Michelle

Michelle Block Ministerial Services Advisor NZ Police National Headquarters Wellington

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----Original Message----

From: J. Beddek <fyi-request-20924-ad54f6a5@requests fyi.org nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 29 November 2022 4:54 PM

To: Ministerial Services <a href="mailto:Ministerial.Services@police.govt.nz">Ministerial.Services@police.govt.nz</a> Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: OIA response IR-01-22-32446

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Tēnā koe,

Thank you for the documents and releasing them to me before the date specified in the extension. Some information was withheld as noted in the response letter, where you said:

"[...] making available of the information is likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences and the right to a fair trial."

While I'm sure that is correct, I am interested in knowing how the NZ Police comes to such conclusions, which is why I also requested the grounds in support of any reasons for refusal of information as also noted in the response letter. Section 17(2) of the OIA states that the grounds should be provided when requested.

I do not believe the released letters contains the grounds requested. Could you please release those to me?

Ngā mihi, J. Beddek
Original Message
Tēnā koe J
Please find attached the response to your Official Information Act request, received by New Zealand Police on 20 October 2022.
Ngā mihi
Dylan
Dylan
Advisor   Ministerial Services   Police National Headquarters
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From: <u>Ministerial Services</u>

To: SWEENEY, Darryl; SAMU, Robyn

Subject: RE: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding ground use - OIA response IR-01-22-32446 J Beddek of

FYI

Date: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 11:55:00 AM

Thanks for the quick reply Darryl. Kind regards, Michelle

----Original Message----

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 11:53 AM

Subject: RE: Requestor seeking explanation re withholding ground use - OIA response IR-01-22-32446 J

Beddek of FYI

I agree with your statement Michelle, use that please.

This is covert policing and we just cannot let this information go out in the public arena.

Thanks for touching base

Darryl Sweeney Detective Inspector National Criminal Investigation Group. National Manager CHiS.UCP.

National Coordinator.

Operation Cobalt. National Gang Focus.

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----Original Message----

From: Ministerial Services <xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxx

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 11:46 AM

Hi Darryl & Robyn

Re the below email trail - J Beddek of FYI clearly wanted more explanation on the hidden content and did state in the request "If any information is withheld under section 6 of the Act, please provide both the reason for the removal of the information as well as the grounds in support of that reason as outlined by section 17(2)(b) of the Act."

Min Services fully appreciate that a lot of information was redacted in order to protect Police methods re investigation and detection of offences, and to be fair you did state that in the response already - but is there anything further you can add that I could provide him/her?

As a starter for 10 we were thinking ... "As you will appreciate, it is important that Police protect its methods of investigation and detection, especially when undertaking covert activity. To release this type of information would risk those committing offenses becoming familiar with Policing techniques and makes it more likely that

they will evade detection. Accordingly, this information has been withheld under section 6(c) of the OIA"

Feel free to amend, then I'll on-send to Beddek.

Kind regards, Michelle

Michelle Block Ministerial Services Advisor NZ Police National Headquarters Wellington

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Ngā mihi,

J. Beddek

----Original Message-----

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Ngā mihi

Dylan

Advisor | Ministerial Services | Police National Headquarters

From: <u>Ministerial Services</u>
To: <u>WARREN, Sophie</u>

**Subject:** RE: IR-01-22-32446 -follow up

Date: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 1:34:14 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Fab, thanks Sophie – will send him that now!

From: WARREN, Sophie <x@xxx

Sent: Wednesday, 30 November 2022 1:01 PM

To: Ministerial Services < x@xxx Subject: IR-01-22-32446 -follow up

Hi Michelle

Tidied up the redaction so the page headers/numbers were are not redacted.

Kind regards,

Sophie Warren (she/her)

**Senior Advisor** 

Ministerial Services

**PNHQ** 

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