

Media Daily Media Log - 10 March 2023

Media organisation & reporter	Nature of query (i.e COVID-employment, COVID-refugees)	Query	Response	Group affected
Stewart Sowman-Lund, The Spinoff	Individual case - no privacy waiver	<p>There's an open letter from the Rainbow Greens co-signed by a couple of MPs that is asking for an upcoming speaking tour by Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull, also known by the pseudonym Posie Parker to be cancelled. Specifically, the open letter is requesting " the denial of any visa application or revocation of any visa already granted" for Keen-Minshull. It's claimed the speaker spreads anti-trans messaging and has appeared alongside political extremists.</p> <p>Is Immigration NZ able to comment whether or not a visa has already been granted to Keen-Minshull or whether this is currently being considered?</p>	<p>Ms Keen-Minshull is the holder of a United Kingdom passport. The United Kingdom (UK) is a visa waiver country which enables the holder of a UK passport to travel to New Zealand for a temporary visit without the need to apply for a visa in advance. Instead, all visa waiver nationals who wish to visit New Zealand must apply for a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA).</p> <p>In completing an NZeTA application the applicant must declare any previous convictions or removals/exclusions from other countries. On arrival, the holder of a NZeTA applies for a visa to enter New Zealand.</p> <p>Immigration New Zealand (INZ) can confirm that Ms Keen-Minshull is the holder of a NZeTA.</p> <p>INZ's Border Officers are responsible for assessing if travellers meet the immigration conditions to be granted entry permission and a visa to enter New Zealand. This assessment includes</p>	INZ

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Jacob Jones, Newstalk ZB	Individual case - no privacy waiver	<p>Hi there my name is Jacob. I'm a reporter at Newstalk ZB. I was just wondering if I could either have an interview or statement about this call from the Greens and Rainbow Greens to not allow Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull (aka Parker Posey) into the country. I was just wondering what Immigration New Zealand's decision is, or when it will be decided. I would also be really keen to know what sort of thing goes into a character test. I tried to put this to the Immigration Minister but he referred me to you. If someone can do the interview they can call through on 09 366 0466 or the statement can be sent to me here.</p>	<p>Ms Keen-Minshull is the holder of a United Kingdom passport. The United Kingdom (UK) is a visa waiver country which enables the holder of a UK passport to travel to New Zealand for a temporary visit without the need to apply for a visa in advance. Instead, all visa waiver nationals who wish to visit New Zealand must apply for a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA).</p> <p>In completing an NZeTA application the applicant must declare any previous convictions or removals/exclusions from other countries. On arrival, the holder of a NZeTA applies for a visa to enter New Zealand.</p> <p>Immigration New Zealand (INZ) can confirm that Ms Keen-Minshull is the holder of a NZeTA.</p> <p>INZ's Border Officers are responsible for</p>	INZ

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MBIE Daily Media Log – 20 March 2023

Date query received	Date query responded to	Media organisation & reporter	Nature of query (i.e COVID-employment, COVID-refugees)	Query	Response	Group affected
20.03.23	20.03.23	Rayssa Almeida, Rachel Graham, RNZ	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	Could we please have an update from Immigration NZ on whether attracting neo-Nazis in Melbourne changes anything in regard to granting Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull a visa under "character grounds". Could you also confirm	Ms Keen-Minshull is the holder of a United Kingdom passport. The United Kingdom (UK) is a visa waiver country which enables the holder of a UK passport to travel to New Zealand for a temporary visit without the need to apply for a visa in	INZ

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whether the visa assessment for Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull has been completed and what the outcome was.

I understand one of my colleagues has been in touch to ask whether there is a review of the visa for Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull, also known as Posie Parker for her upcoming visit to New Zealand.

I understand Immigration NZ said it would be able to come back to us today with the answer. Is that the case, and do you have a time I can expect the information?

I'd be keen to confirm if Immigration NZ is reviewing her visa, and what sparked that review, and the outcome of the review?

advance. Instead, all visa waiver nationals who wish to visit New Zealand must apply for a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA). In completing an NZeTA application the applicant must declare any previous convictions or removals/exclusions from other countries. On arrival, the holder of a NZeTA applies for a visa to enter New Zealand. Immigration New Zealand (INZ) can confirm that Ms Keen-Minshull is the holder of a New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA). INZ is now reviewing whether in the light of the events at the weekend Ms Keen-Minshull is still able to travel to New Zealand on the basis of the NZeTA that she holds without obtaining a

					visa first.	
20.03.23	20.03.23	Tyra Robberts, Newstalk ZB	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	Tyra here from Newstalk ZB. We're covering Posie Parker's visa being reviewed on Drive this afternoon, is Richard Owen available for a chat with Heather du Plessie-Allan at 5:10pm	Interview declined, provided media statement as above	INZ
20.03.23	20.03.23	William Terite, NewsHub	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	Controversial anti- transgender activist Kellie-Jay Keen- Minshull, also known as Posie Parker, is set to arrive in New Zealand this week. It prompted calls and an open letter from the rainbow community, asking for the Immigration Minister to ban Kellie from entering the country. I've seen in media articles that the Minister has deferred this to Immigration NZ.	Media statement as above	INZ

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				<p>Is there a spokesperson available for comment on this? or can Immigration NZ confirm if it's looking into this case.</p> <p>An interview would be ideal and I'm flexible, otherwise a statement too would suffice.</p>		
20.03.23	20.03.23	Jamie Ensor, NewsHub	Individual case – Keen-Minshull	<p>I am emailing to ask whether Immigration NZ has given any consideration to blocking the entry of anti-transgender activist Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull into New Zealand. She has two speaking events planned for this weekend in Auckland and Wellington. There have been calls in New Zealand - including from the Green Party - for her to be blocked entry given her hateful speech and the potential for her to threaten public order.</p>	Media statement as above	INZ

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				<p>Over the weekend, police officers in Australia were assaulted at protests sparked by her appearance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will her entry to NZ be blocked? • If so, on what grounds? 		
20.03.23	20.03.23	Katie Harris, NZME	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>I am working on a story about Kellie-Jay Keen aka Posie Parker and her planned visit to New Zealand.</p> <p>Would someone from MBIE please be able to provide a statement regarding whether she will be able to enter New Zealand and what the purpose of her travel to New Zealand is.</p>	Media statement as above	INZ
20.03.23	20.03.23	Chris Schultz, The Spinoff	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>Just wondering if I can get a quick response as to whether a Visa application for Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull, also known as Posie Parker, has been received and processed and what the outcome was.</p>	Media statement as above	INZ

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				She's due in the country sometime around March 25.		
20.03.23	20.03.23	Tom Day, Mediaworks	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	I was wondering if Immigration NZ had any statement regarding the planned arrival of Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull this week?	Media statement as above	INZ
20.03.23	20.03.23	Andrew Macfarlane, Kim Baker Wilson, TVNZ	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>Could we urgently get it confirmed that " Immigration NZ is now reviewing whether or not Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull is still able to travel to New Zealand on the basis of the NZeTA that she holds without obtaining a visa first"?</p> <p>Follow up: Thanks for this statement you sent Andrew Macfarlane.</p> <p>Sorry if you were already asked this and I'm doubling up, but is it something Richard Owen can say on</p>	Media statement as above	INZ

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				camera at all? Or is it statement only?		
20.03.23	20.03.23	Chelsea Daniels, Newstalk ZB	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>Is Immigration NZ reviewing whether or not Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull is still able to travel to New Zealand?</p> <p>The British anti-transgender activist sparked controversy at the weekend -- where clashes broke out between protesters and her supporters in Melbourne.</p> <p>Any information on her ability to travel to NZ would be great. She's due to speak at events here.</p>	Media statement as above	INZ
20.03.23	20.03.23	Catie McLeod, NCA Newswire	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>I'm hoping to get a statement regarding the NZ government's review of whether Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull can travel to NZ with the NZeTA that she holds without obtaining a visa, after what happened at the</p>	Media statement as above	INZ

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				<p>protest she attended in Melbourne on the weekend, as local media are reporting this morning.</p> <p>And will the NZ government ban Ms Keen-Minshull from visiting the country?</p>		
20.03.23	20.03.23	Frances Chin, Stuff	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>Newshub has reported Immigration NZ general manager Richard Owner as saying the agency is now reviewing whether anti-transgender activist Kelly-Jay Keen-Minshull, also known as Posie Parker, will be allowed into the country, following the neo-Nazi-affiliated protests that took place in Melbourne over the weekend.</p> <p>Could I get a statement from Immigration confirming this please? Any update into whether Keen-Minshull will be</p>	Media statement as above	INZ

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				allowed into the country would be appreciated.		
20.03.23	20.03.23	Jessica Maggio, Sky News	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>Wondering if someone is available to make comment or provide a statement on the Greens letter to the Immigration Minister calling for the arrival of Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull to be banned – given the neo-Nazi rhetoric likely to follow her (after Melbourne’s rally).</p> <p>I know it’s something that has been done in the past – is this something the MBIE is currently considering?</p>	Media statement as above	INZ
20.03.23	20.03.23	Ben McKay, AAP	Individual case — Keen-Minshull	<p>Reading this piece, can I confirm please that Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull's entry to New Zealand is under review by immigration officials?</p> <p>If you've provided information (background or quotes) on Ms Keen-</p>	Media statement as above	INZ

				Minshull's visa situation to other outlets, can I please also have them?		
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MBIE Daily Media Log – 21 March 2023

Date query received	Date query responded to	Media organisation & reporter	Nature of query (i.e COVID-employment, COVID-refugees)	Query	Response	Group affected
21.03.23	21.03.23	Frances Chin, Stuff	Individual case Follow up	Could I please get an update into the status of anti-transgender activist Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull's visa waiver? Yesterday it was suggested by Immigration it may be lifted due to her association with Nazism in Melbourne. Second follow up: Would it be possible for me to be added to the list of people who are informed when the decision on whether anti-trans activist Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull is made? I've	The response below can be attributed to General Manager Richard Owen Follow up response: We are reviewing the case as quickly as possible and expect this to be completed before the end of the week at the latest.	INZ

				been updating the article for Stuff.		
21.03.23	21.03.23	Janika ter Ellen, Discovery	Individual case — Follow up	<p>I'm touching base about any visa decisions to be made on Posey Parker today.</p> <p>I'm just looking to get a direct line of communication up with you, in case it's going to happen late in the day.</p>	Media statement as above	INZ
21.03.23	21.03.23	Ben McKay, AAP	Individual case — Follow up	Any update today on the review?	Media statement as above	INZ
21.03.23	21.03.23	Jessica Maggio, Sky News	Individual case — Follow up	Inquiring as to whether there has been an update on the arrival of Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull?	Media statement as above	INZ
21.03.23	21.03.23	Jason Walls, Newstalk ZB	Individual case — Follow up	Just following up to see if Immigration NZ has reached a decision over what's happening with Posie Parker's visa?	Media statement as above	INZ
21.03.23	21.03.23	Rachel Graham, RNZ	Individual case — Second follow up	<p>just checking in on whether there is any update on the decision on Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull.</p> <p>I know you said it</p>	We will be in touch if there are any further updates. Nothing at this stage.	INZ

				might be closer to the end of the week, but just checking it hasn't come through earlier.		
21.03.23	21.03.23	Michael Neilson, NZHerald	Individual case — Follow up	<p>I understand Immigration NZ is currently considering issues around a visit to NZ of British national Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshull, also known as Posie Parker, this Thursday.</p> <p>Can I please be added to any media list regarding any decisions and/or updates that are made regarding her visit?</p>	We will be in touch if there are any further updates. Nothing at this stage.	INZ
20.03.23 after log closed	20.03.23	Rachel Graham, RNZ	Individual case — Follow up	Can you tell me if the review is likely to be completed today, and if you will be able to update me on the decision today. Ideally before 3pm today?	<p>The response below can be attributed to General Manager Richard Owen</p> <p>Follow up response:</p> <p>We are reviewing the case as quickly as possible and expect this to be completed before the end of the week at the latest.</p>	INZ

20.03.23 after log closed	20.03.23	Tom Day, Mediaworks	Individual case — Follow up	If there is a follow up to this can you please send it to me too!!	Media statement as above	INZ
20.03.23 after log closed	20.03.23	Kim Baker Wilson, TVNZ	Individual case — Follow up	I understand you have no update at this stage but there must be a timeframe given it'd want a decision before this person flies to the country.	Media statement as above	INZ

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Section 9(2)(g)(ii)

Wednesday 1:49 pm

<https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/politics/immigration-nz-allowing-anti-trans-activist-posie-parker-to-enter-new-zealand/XVGZCULPRZGT5MEHPLP5XLTFFUE/>



Posie Parker coming to NZ: Immigration won't e...

Posie Parker didn't meet the threshold to be banned from New Zealand.

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Wednesday 1:52 pm

i am very surprised

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So s16 threshold not met?

Section 9(2)(g)(ii)

Wednesday 1:53 pm

doesn't look like it

this is the lady that was affiliated with the proud boys right?

Section 9(2)(g)(ii)

Wednesday 1:56 pm

Not sure it is - i think it was associated with anti-transgender sentiment (as occurred in protests in Melbourne)

Section 9(2)(g)(ii)

Wednesday 1:57 pm

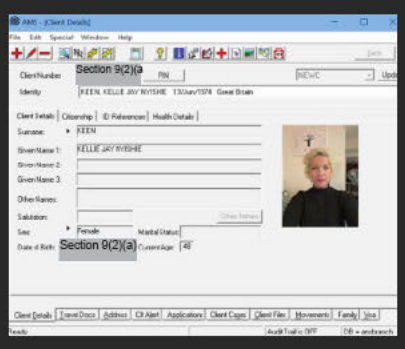
ah ok, maybe i'm getting mixed up with another one

9(2)(g)(i)

Section 9(2)(g)(ii) 8/03 3:01 pm Section 9(2)(a)
Hi [redacted] are you aware of this activist from the UK coming to NZ on 25/03 and 26/03? CN [redacted]

NSFS has been completed for her, just wondered if border were aware. I was directed to send RFIs to Police today for the information they hold. It appears R&V are doing their own assessment

NSFS - Kellie-Jay Keen CN [redacted] docx ...



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8/03 4:25 pm
Thanks [redacted] Just FYI in the couple of quick chats I've had at the edges of this I've recommended approaching MI country research to build a deeper and balanced picture of this person's public person and sustained positions on transgender rights/Islam etc. to inform a s.16 'threat or risk to public interest' determination - that could either result in her visa waiver status being suspended immediately and/or inform the border decision when she tries to travel.

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Friday 9:51 am

Confirming there no INZ interaction with the POI speaker UNLESS the outcome of judicial review now underway changes this. If it does (unlikely in my opinion) Pete will call to get her offloaded or turned around. If Customs refer only the new specific Customs reason for referral is to be assessed.



Supposed to be arriving 1645 today, but just in case delayed.



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Friday 9:57 am

Thanks

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