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From: [Monica S](#)
To: [Ian Fletcher](#)
Subject: RE: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

Ata marie Ian,

A short update – there has been a delay in publishing the report today. I expect it will now be in the first half of next week.

Nga mihi nui

Monica

From: Monica S
Sent: Tuesday, 5 March 2024 10:14 AM
To: Ian Fletcher [s9\(2\)\(a\)](#)
Subject: RE: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

Hi Ian,

Thanks again for coming in to review the IGIS' report last month, [s9\(2\)\(a\)](#)

The IGIS has updated his public report to reflect your comments. The report now notes that you do not recall being briefed on the capability when you started at the GCSB, and have no recollection of it operating, or the concerns raised by Simon Murdoch. The report also notes that the standing authority you signed for the relevant GCSB activities was done four days after your arrival.

The report has been finalised now, and will be published on the IGIS' website this Friday 8 March at 10am.

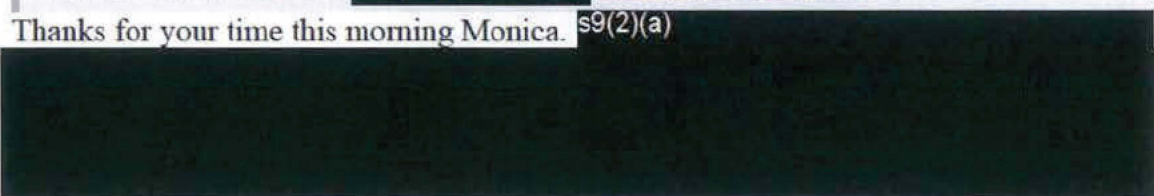
Let me know if you have any questions,

Nga mihi nui
Monica

From: Ian Fletcher [s9\(2\)\(a\)](#)
Sent: Monday, 19 February 2024 11:22 AM
To: Monica S [s6\(a\) - GCSB staff member details](#)
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

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Thanks for your time this morning Monica. [s9\(2\)\(a\)](#)



As ever

Ian

[s9\(2\)\(a\)](#)

I

On 19/02/2024, at 8:23 AM, Monica S [redacted] s6(a) - GCSB staff member details wrote:

Thanks Ian, that's no trouble, I'll see you later this morning.

Monica

From: Ian Fletcher [redacted] s9(2)(a)
Sent: Sunday, 18 February 2024 4:23 PM
To: Monica S [redacted] s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

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Hi Monica,

[redacted] s9(2)(a) I won't be with you until about 1015
tomorrow. [redacted] s9(2)(a)
[redacted] s9(2)(a)

As ever

Ian

On 13/02/2024, at 9:45 AM, Monica S [redacted] s6(a) - GCSB staff member details wrote:

Thanks Ian. [redacted] s9(2)(a)

[redacted] s9(2)(a) you can see the material when
you come in on the 19th.

Nga mihi nui
Monica

From: Ian Fletcher [redacted] s9(2)(a)
Sent: Monday, 12 February 2024 9:59 PM
To: Monica S [redacted] s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

Thanks Monica, [redacted] s9(2)(a)

On current plans I will be with you about 0930 Monday 19 feb.

[redacted] s9(2)(a)

Thanks

Ian

On 9/02/2024, at 9:15 AM, Monica S
s6(a) - GCSB staff member details wrote:

IN CONFIDENCE

Ata marie Ian,

Thanks for your speedy reply, and apologies for the
delay in mine.

s9(2)(a)

s9(2)(a)

If you're able
to come in on February 19th, that would be helpful. If
so, let me know when suits you. I'm available any time
after 9am that morning.

s9(2)(a)

Nga mihi nui
Monica

From: Ian Fletcher s9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 1 February 2024 4:23 PM
To: Monica S s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-
General

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Hi Monica, or

s9(2)(a)

If that is the case, I will be in Wellington on 19
February, and free in the morning. I can come to you

then.

s9(2)(a)

I'm on s9(2)(a)

Ian

On 1/02/2024, at 11:45 AM, Monica S
s6(a) - GCSB staff member details

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Tena koe Ian,

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To: s9(2)(a)
Subject: RE: Review of draft reports of Inspector-General
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Sent: Tuesday, 5 March 2024 11:11 AM
To: Monica S s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: RE: Review of draft reports of Inspector-General

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Thanks Monica

From: Monica S s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 10:19 AM
To: s9(2)(a)
Subject: RE: Review of draft reports of Inspector-General

Ata marie,

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Nga mihi nui

Monica

From: Monica S
Sent: Thursday, 8 February 2024 10:45 AM
To: s9(2)(a)
Subject: RE: Review of draft reports of Inspector-General

Ata marie,

Thanks for your note below. I'll raise that point with the IGIS to ensure they've considered that possibility in the course of their review of documents and drafting the report.

Thanks again for coming in yesterday, it was good to meet you.

Nga mihi nui

Monica

From: s9(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 7 February 2024 5:25 PM
To: Monica S s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of Inspector-General

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Thanks for receiving me today. Just to round out my comments about the agenda paper for a mtg with the (then) Min. It was not unknown for the Mins having seen it and heard a preliminary explanation, to indicate that they didn't want to be further informed-

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"that's a matter for you, Mr Director, not me" (under the broad delegation). So, that too, in this case, is a possibility. Regards . Simon

Sent from my **s9(2)(a)**

On 7/02/2024, at 10:56, Monica S **s6(a) - GCSB staff member details** wrote:

No trouble, I'll see you then.

Thanks,
Monica

From: **s9(2)(a)**
Sent: Wednesday, 7 February 2024 10:27 AM
To: Monica S **s6(a) - GCSB staff member details**
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of Inspector-General

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Maybe more like 1245, Monica

Sent from my **s9(2)(a)**

On 7/02/2024, at 10:11, **s9(2)(a)** wrote:

Ok -tks

Sent from my **s9(2)(a)**

On 7/02/2024, at 08:21, Monica S **s6(a) - GCSB staff member details** wrote:

Ata marie,

Thanks for getting back to me. Today around 12.30 sounds good. I'll meet you then in reception at Pipitea House.

Many thanks,
Monica

From: **s9(2)(a)**
Sent: Thursday, 1 February 2024 7:59 PM
To: Monica S **s6(a) - GCSB staff member details**
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of Inspector-General

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Thanks Monica-I could drop by on Wednesday 7 at about 1230-45 if that suits? Regards

Sent from my **s9(2)(a)**

On 1/02/2024, at 11:47, Monica S **s6(a) - GCSB staff member details** wrote:

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From: [Bruce Ferguson](#)
To: [Monica S](#)
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General
Date: Friday, 8 March 2024 11:04:16 AM

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No worries, thanks for the update.

On Fri, 8 Mar 2024, 10:01 Monica S, [s6\(a\) - GCSB staff member details](#) wrote:

Ata marie Sir Bruce,

A short update – there has been a delay in publishing the report today. I expect it will now be in the first half of next week.

Nga mihi nui

Monica

From: Monica S
Sent: Tuesday, 5 March 2024 10:18 AM
To: Bruce Ferguson [s9\(2\)\(a\)](#)
Subject: RE: Review [s9\(2\)\(a\)](#) pector-General

Ata marie Sir Bruce,

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Monica

From: Bruce Ferguson s9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 15 February 2024 2:08 PM
To: Monica S s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

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Around 11am would suit me.

On Thu, 15 Feb 2024 at 1:55 PM, Monica S s6(a) - GCSB staff member details wrote:

Many thanks Sir Bruce.

So that I can let the front desk know when to expect you on the 22nd, what time in the morning works best for you?

Nga mihi nui

Monica

From: Bruce Ferguson s9(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 14 February 2024 10:43 AM
To: Monica S s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

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Hi. Thursday 22nd morning is fine with me.

Sir Bruce

On Mon, 12 Feb 2024, 16:26 Monica S, s6(a) - GCSB staff member details wrote:

Tena koe Sir Bruce,

Thank you for your reply, and apologies for the delay in mine.

I understand entirely your comments about the passing of time in this matter! Others have had the same response.

The timeline of what the IGIS' report covers (starting around 2009) means you are only mentioned once in the introductory section. That mention is to note that you had an initial positive view of the Bureau engaging with the foreign partner about support to the system. While the IGIS' report does make critical findings about the Bureau, they relate to the time after your departure. Further, there is no specific adverse comment about you.

Given that, I imagine review of the reports would be a quick exercise. If you would like to come in to review, would a time in the morning of either Tuesday 20 Feb, or Thursday 22 Feb suit?

Nga mihi nui

Monica

From: Bruce Ferguson [s9(2)(a)]
Sent: Friday, 2 February 2024 11:43 AM
To: Monica [s6(a) - GCSB staff member details]
Subject: Re: Review of draft reports of the Inspector-General

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Good morning. I am currently [s9(2)(a)] until 15th Feb.

I am not aware of what you have been investigating, of course, and quite frankly at a bit of a loss as to what it may be.

It is getting on [s9(2)(a)] years since I retired, [s9(2)(a)]

Nonetheless, if you believe that I should read the review, then I can make the time after 15 Feb.

Sir Bruce Ferguson

On Thu, 1 Feb 2024 at 11:47 AM, Monica Silverwood [s6\(a\) - GCSB staff member details](#) wrote:

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From: [Simon Murdoch](#)
To: s6(a) - GCSB staff member details s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Cc: s6(a) - 12 GCSB staff member email addresses
Subject: s6(a) MOU Draft s6(a)
Date: Monday, 29 August 2011 12:11:25 PM

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T ks for this s6(a) - GCSB staff ahead of any decision (presumably requiring at least awareness and /or ?consent of the Minister) you will need to be closely involved in our thinking about this, and it may require a consultation with Inspector-General.

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From: s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
To: s6(a) - GCSB staff member details; s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Cc: s6(a) - GCSB staff member details
Subject: RE: What it all means...
Date: Friday, 5 April 2013 11:03:21 AM

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Great questions s6(a)

There is no action required out of hours other than s6(a)

s6(a)

s6(a) -we have no input whatsoever into the process as its all

controlled from s6(a)

s6(a)

s6(a) has set up a separate data flow for s6(a) traffic so the process should be totally invisible to us (unless we go looking of course !).

s6(a)

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