# **Hon Paul Goldsmith**

Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage Minister of Justice Minister for State Owned Enterprises Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations



12 March 2024

Hon Dr Shane Reti Minister for Pacific Peoples s.reti@ministers.govt.nz

Tēnā koe e Shane

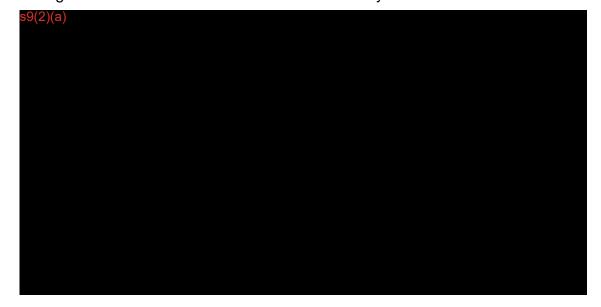
## Appointment to the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa - Creative NZ

This letter seeks to consult with you on an upcoming appointment to the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa – Creative NZ (Council).

The Council is established to encourage, promote, and support the arts in New Zealand for the benefit of all New Zealanders. It promotes the development of a New Zealand identity in the arts; allocates funding to projects for professional and community arts; and upholds and promotes the rights of artists and the right of persons to freedom in the practice of the arts.

Section 10(5) of the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa Act 2014 requires me to appoint at least two members to the Council that are qualified by their knowledge of the arts and the traditions or cultures of the Pacific Island peoples of New Zealand. This section of the Act also requires consultation with you, as Minister for Pacific Peoples, before these members are appointed.

The term of one such member, Caren Rangi, expires on 21 March 2024. Ms Rangi was originally appointed as a member in 2014 and was appointed as Chair in 2021. I am writing to seek your views on my proposed appointment of Jannita Pilisi to replace Caren Rangi as a member of the Council for a full three-year term.



I look forward to receiving any comments you may have on this proposal, either formally or informally, and would appreciate a response by **29 March 2024**, in order for this appointment to progress through Cabinet at the Appointment and Honours Committee meeting on 9 April 2024.

Nāku iti noa, nā

Hon Paul Goldsmith

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Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage

From: Shane Reti (MIN) To: Nelson Tiatia; Lu Avia

Subject: FW: Letter from Hon Paul Goldsmith re Appointment to the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa - Creative NZ - SRC-1398

Friday, 15 March 2024 3:22:13 pm Date:

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Letter from Hon Paul Goldsmith to Hon Shane Reti re appointment to CNZ.pdf

SRC-1398



#### **Melisa Webster**

Private Secretary Administration (Acting) | Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti

Minister of Health| Minister for Pacific Peoples | MP for Whangarei

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From: Harriett Adams <x@xxx

Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 2:54 PM

To: Shane Reti (MIN) <x@xxx

Subject: Letter from Hon Paul Goldsmith re Appointment to the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa - Creative NZ - SRC-

1398

Kia ora,

Please see attached a letter from Minister Goldsmith to Minister Reti regarding an appointment to the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa.

Ngā mihi



### **Harriett Adams**

Private Secretary – Arts, Culture and Heritage | Office of Hon Paul Goldsmith Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage | Minister of Justice Minister for State Owned Enterprises | Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations

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From: Nelson Tiatia To: Harriett Adams Cc: Jonathan Franklin: Lu Avia

RE: Letter from Hon Paul Goldsmith re Appointment to the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa - Creative NZ Subject

Monday, 18 March 2024 1:44:00 pm Date:

Attachments:

Talofa lava Harriet,

On behalf of Minister Reti, thank you for the letter from Minister Goldsmith regarding his proposal to appoint Jannita Pilisi to the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa.

The Minister has no feedback and supports this appointment to the Council.

Thanks again,



**Nelson Tiatia** Private Secretary Pacific Peoples | Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti Minister of Health Minister for Pacific Peoples

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From: Nelson Tiatia

To: <u>Thomas Wyatt; Jonathan Franklin</u>

Cc: Lu Avia

**Subject:** FW: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

**Date:** Tuesday, 11 June 2024 4:04:00 pm

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Hey team,

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Nelson



Nelson Tiatia Private Secretary Pacific Peoples | Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti Minister of Health Minister for Pacific Peoples

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Private Bag 18041, Parliament Buildings, Wellington 6160, New Zealand

Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 3:54 PM

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The reference number for your request is: **SROIA-135** 

As required under the Official Information Act 1982, the Office will endeavour to respond to your request no later than 20 working days after the day your request was received. You can expect a response by 10 July 2024.

Ngā mihi

Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti Minister of Health Minister for Pacific Peoples



Email: <u>.@..</u> Private Bag 18041, Parliament Buildings, Wellington 6160, New Zealand

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Sincerely	
Hugh J Coon	
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From: Nelson Tiatia
To: Andrea Harris

**Subject:** FW: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

**Date:** Tuesday, 11 June 2024 4:16:00 pm

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Hey Andrea,

As per below OIA and chain, can you confirm whether any correspondence related to this appointment was sent or received from your end? My understanding is only the attached falls within the scope of this request but keen to confirm.

Nelson



Nelson Tiatia Private Secretary Pacific Peoples | Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti Minister of Health Minister for Pacific Peoples

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Private Bag 18041, Parliament Buildings, Wellington 6160, New Zealand

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Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 4:05 PM

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From: Nelson Tiatia
To:

Cc: Paul Goldsmith (MIN): Shane Reti (MIN)

Subject: RE: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

**Date:** Wednesday, 19 June 2024 1:26:00 pm

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Kia ora Hugh,

Thank you again for your request for official information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti

The Office is unable to answer the following part of your request because it does not hold information on where the nomination for Ms Janita Pillisi was made:

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From: Harriett Adams To: Nelson Tiatia Cc: Paul Goldsmith (MIN)

Subject: RE: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

Thursday, 20 June 2024 4:46:38 pm Date:

Attachments:

Hi Nelson.

Apologies for the delay.

Our recommendation is to redact Jannita's bio, the final two indented paragraphs on the first page of the letter, under 9(2)(a).

#### Ngā mihi



**Harriett Adams** Private Secretary – Arts, Culture and Heritage | Office of Hon Paul Goldsmith Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage | Minister of Justice Minister for State Owned Enterprises | Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations

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**Sent:** Thursday, June 20, 2024 4:18 PM

Subject: RE: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

Hey Harriet,

How are you going on your end with proposed redactions?

Nelson



Nelson Tiatia Private Secretary Pacific Peoples | Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti Minister of Health Minister for Pacific Peoples

Private Bag 18041, Parliament Buildings, Wellington 6160, New Zealand

**Sent:** Wednesday, June 19, 2024 12:52 PM

To: Nelson Tiatia <xxxxxx.xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxx > 

Subject: RE: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

Kia ora Nelson,

We are happy to accept the highlighted portion of the OIA request.

With regard to the letter, we are completing a similar OIA request currently, and we'd like to ensure the redactions are consistent. Could I come back to you COP tomorrow with any suggested redactions?

Ngā mihi



#### **Harriett Adams**

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Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2024 10:07 AM

Subject: FW: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

Hi Harriet

I hope this email finds you well!

Our office is responding to the OIA request below, and would like to consult you on the following points:

- We are unable to answer the highlighted section because nominations to the Arts Council are not the responsibility of the Minister for Pacific Peoples. Given the highlighted section is more closely connected with the functions of your portfolio, would your office be willing to accept transfer of it under section 14(b)(ii) of the OIA?
- The correspondence requested would include the attached letter received from your office seeking consultation on the appointment of Janita Pillisi; does your office have any concerns with this being released as part of the OIA response?

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Nelson



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Subject: Acknowledging your request for official information: SROIA-135

Kia ora Hugh

Thank you for your request for official information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Office of Hon Dr Shane Reti. You requested:

I am requesting any and all correspondence you had on the appointment of Janitta Pilisi to Creative NZ board /any other appointment. Any correspondence between you and her, or about her with other MPs, National Party officials and bureaucrats etc,.

Please name where the nomination for Ms Janita Pillisi was made .DOIA24/073 stated "A list of 14 candidates was compiled and one candidate was shortlisted and interviewed. Candidates were compiled by searching the Manatū Taonga register of nominations, seeking nominations from Government population agencies and caucus colleagues. We received 18 nominations from the population agencies for positions on the Arts Council, including this position." Was it a caucus

nomination, please provide all correspondence relating to it This includes any judgement in relation to her role as a National Party Director.

Please make sure you including the decision making materials you received in relation to the appointment please and advice on conflict of interest etc., all information received pertaining to the appointment

Please name those consulted with and all correspondence relating to preparation of this OIA reply.

The reference number for your request is: **SROIA-135** 

As required under the Official Information Act 1982, the Office will endeavour to respond to your request no later than 20 working days after the day your request was received. You can expect a response by 10 July 2024.

### Ngā mihi



----Original Message----

Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 3:18 PM

Subject: SROIA-135: Official Information request - appointment arts council consultation Janita Pillisi

Dear doctor Min. Shane roti,

as minister of pacific peoples you had to be consulted with on the appointment of Janita Pillisi to Arts Council. She replaces the seats of member Caren Rangi. Member Rangi (Retired) was appointed under Section 10(5) of the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa Act 1994 which two persons must be appointed under consultation with the Minister for Pacific Peoples, having regard of their knowledge of arts and traditions or cultures of the Pacific Island Peoples. (quoted from 23 May 24 DOIA24/073) I am requesting any and all correspondence you had on the appointment of Janitta Pilisi to Creative NZ board /any other appointment. Any correspondence between you and her, or about her with other MPs, National Party officials and bureaucrats etc,.

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Sincerely	
Hugh J Coon	

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