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Tēnā koe John

I refer to your request on 12 September 2024 which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). You requested the following information about the appointment of a Chair to the Broadcasting Commission (NZ On Air):

*May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. govt.jobs website. Also, how many applications you have received from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc for your role. How many you have shortlisted and how many you have interviewed. The bio you held for the appointed member. Also, the appointment letter sent to the appointed member, of course you are feel free to remove any personal information*

The appointment of Philip Andrew Caisley (Andrew Caisley) was made on the expiry of the term of the outgoing Chair, Dr Ruth Harley, after six years of service.

Appointments to the Chair position for NZ On Air are made by the Minister for Media and Communications in accordance with section 45 of the Broadcasting Act 1989 and Schedule 5 of the Crown Entities Act 2004. A public call for nominations is not required under these Acts, thus was not conducted for this appointment process. Because of this, applications were not received. Instead, candidates were selected from sources such as the Manatū Taonga register of nominations, which includes members of the public who have expressed interest in being a Crown board member; and nominations previously received from Government population agencies (Te Puni Kōkori Ministry of Māori Development, Ministry for Pacific Peoples, and Ministry of Women).

A shortlist of four candidates was compiled and the selected candidate undertook a due diligence process, which included an interview.

### **Information being released**

Please find enclosed the following documents:

Item	Date	Document Description
1	9 June 2024	Notice of appointment for Andrew Caisley
2	10 June 2024	Letter of appointment to Andrew Caisley

I have decided to release the document listed above, subject to information being withheld under one or more of the following sections of the OIA, as applicable:

- section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the OIA. I do not consider that these considerations outweigh the need to withhold the information.

### Information publicly available

The following information is also covered by your request and is publicly available:

Item	Date	Description	Link
1	13 June 2024	Key biographical details for Andrew Caisley	<a href="https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/chair-appointments-nzso-cnz-and-nz-air">https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/chair-appointments-nzso-cnz-and-nz-air</a>
2	12 September 2024	Notice of appointment	<a href="https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2024-go4438">https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2024-go4438</a>

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [oa@mch.govt.nz](mailto:oa@mch.govt.nz).

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Nāku noa, nā



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