

Hon Mark Mitchell

Minister of Corrections
Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery
Minister for Ethnic Communities
Minister of Police
Minister for Sport and Recreation



OIA 24531

Bruce

fyi-request-29640-69d9db1d@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Bruce

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 22 December 2024 in which you sought:

May I have all information generated by your office or received by your office on 18 November 2024 which includes one or more of the following three words:-

gang

gangs

patch

Information identified as in scope of your request is enclosed.

Please note that it has been necessary to withhold some information under the following sections of the OIA:

- 6(c): the making available of that information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial
- 9(2)(a): to protect the privacy of natural persons
- 9(2)(ba)(i): to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence
- 9(2)(f)(iv): to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials
- 9(2)(g)(i): to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty.

I also refer you to the publicly available press release titled *Police stats show promising change* on the Beehive website dated 18 November 2024:

<https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/police-stats-show-promising-change>

In addition, I have identified five documents comprising correspondence from members of the public to be in scope of your request. I am withholding this correspondence in full under the following sections of the OIA:

- 9(2)(a): to protect the privacy of natural persons
- 9(2)(ba)(i): to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence.

I consider the interests requiring protection by withholding the information are not outweighed by any public interest in release of the information.

I trust that this information will be of use to you. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with my response to your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Mitchell', written in a cursive style.

Hon Mark Mitchell
Minister of Police

Ministerial Services

From: Ministerial Services <Ministerial.Services@police.govt.nz>
Sent: Monday, 18 November 2024 3:19 pm
To: s.9(2)(a) OIA
Cc: EVANS, Jonathan; LEGGETT, Tracy-Leigh; [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz;
[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz; SMITH, Jason; [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz
Subject: Approved WPQs
Attachments: 73929.docx; 73800 73805 73807 73986.docx; 73569.docx; WPQ 73569 (2024) table.pdf; WPQ 73929 (2024) table.pdf

Good afternoon

Please find attached the approved WPQ. Paper copy will be in the afternoon bag.

Thanks,
Dylan

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From: [Justice.Admin](#)
To: [Police](#)
Subject: RE: White supremacist gang patches
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 9:20:29 am

Hey **s9(2)(a)**,

As 'Schedule 2: Identified Gangs' of the Gangs Amendment Bill was provided by Police, I think it's best placed for Police to respond.

Particularly the "if not, why not", Justice can't advise why a group may or may not be considered a gang.

Are you happy with that approach?

Thanks,
s.9(2)(a) OIA

From: Police <~~x@xx~~>
Sent: Friday, 15 November 2024 1:57 PM
To: Justice.Admin <~~x@xx~~>
Subject: RE: White supremacist gang patches

Kia ora **s.9(2)(a) OIA**

Would this be one for Justice?

Thanks,
s9(2)(a)

From: **s.9(2)(a) OIA**
Sent: Thursday, 14 November 2024 6:20 PM
To: Hon Mark Mitchell <~~x@xx~~>
Subject: White supremacist gang patches

To the office of the minister of police

Does the gang patch ban cover the well known white supremacist and neo nazi gangs the National Front and Action Zealandia and if not why not please?

s.9(2)(a) OIA

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA
To: Ministerial Services; Police; [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz; [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a) OIA
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 10:51:22 am
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)
[BR2492 Ministerial Consultation – Proposals to reduce the regulation of shooting clubs and ranges.pdf](#)
[BR24119 Ministerial Consultation – Arms \(Shooting Clubs, Shooting Ranges, and Other Matters\) Amendment Bill.pdf](#)

Hi Britt, happy Monday!

Thanks for your help on this one – I’m happy to confirm we managed to get the response out on Friday as attached.

We’ve withheld a few parts under s 9(2)(g)(i) in addition to the proposed redactions you sent over— s.9(2)(g)(i) OIA

s.6(c) OIA

[redacted] these would be best withheld under section 6(c) as operationally sensitive comments. s.9(2)(g)(i) OIA

I’ve since taken a look at BR/24/119 (also attached, for your convenience!) and noticed that the same comment about s.9(2)(g)(i) OIA

Given BR/24/92 is due to be released AGAIN tomorrow (gosh it’s a popular paper) – I just want to be really sure that we’ve got these redactions finalised correctly. s.9(2)(g)(i) OIA

Thanks so much – hope this makes sense and as always, happy to discuss

Ngā mihi,

s.9(2)(a) OIA

From: Ministerial Services <xxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Sent: Wednesday, 13 November 2024 11:11 AM
To: s.9(2)(a) OIA [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz; Police <xxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>; [redacted]
[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Cc: [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz; [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a)

Hi s.9(2)

As discussed, please see attached workgroup re-review of BR/24/92.

Anything else, please shout out!

Thanks,
Britt

From: Ministerial Services
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 1:47 PM
To: s.9(2)(a) OIA [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz; Police <xxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>; [redacted]
[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Cc: [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz; [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a)

Hey s.9(2)(a)

Unfortunately, it looks like the wrong version of BR/24/92 was pulled for inclusion for 24447 and 24448. BR/24/92 was re-reviewed during preparation of 24429 as additional information could now be released. However, only a excerpt ended up being provided for 24429 and therefore, the new version that had been re-reviewed was kept on file for inclusion the next time it was requested. This is where an error seems to have occurred and instead of the new re-reviewed version being used the next time it was requested, the old version was used.

For clarity, the more heavily redacted version was originally released in 24354. It was then identified as being potentially in scope for 24429 at which point I checked in with the work group to see if any additional info could now be released. They advised that the briefing covers a Bill that was under active consideration and was introduced to Parliament that week (week of 23 September). Therefore there would be a lot of changes to the redactions. As we only ended up releasing a small excerpt from 24429, the entirety of the re-reviewed paper was saved separately for inclusion the next time the paper was to be released in full. This seems to be where the error has occurred (for 24447 and 24448, the paper was pulled from 24354 instead of 24429). Sorry if that reads a very confusing but fingers crossed that explains it!

Please accept my apologies for this, the attached version is the correct version that should now be being used. I have ensured our records are up-to-date and reflect the correct version to be used now.

I also note s.9(2)(a) OIA comment (as per the attached email) regarding inclusion of AM/24/128. I have updated the response letter to accurately reflect that this is a Costello paper. The office will need to consult with her office on this for its inclusion in Mitchell's response.

Please accept my apologies again for the confusion here regarding BR/24/92. I'm happy to answer any other questions/take a call.

Thanks,
Britt

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA <[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2024 12:26 PM

To: Ministerial Services <[redacted]@xxxxxxx.xxx.xx>; Police <[redacted]@xxxxxxx.xxx.xx>; [redacted] <[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>

Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>; [redacted] <[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a)

Kia ora Britt!

Thanks for getting back to me so quickly

Re BR/24/92— this version is significantly de-redacted from the copies we've previously had! I've checked our records and it's not just 24442 which has the substantial 9(2)(f)(iv) redactions, we also released the same document with the same withheld sections in OIAs 24447 and 24448, on the 4th and 6th of this month respectively. Has there been a recent change that's triggered the review of the redactions? Or are those previous releases also incorrect?

Re AM/24/128— looks like that OIA has already gone out from Costello's office sorry; it's a pretty simple administrative mix-up though so we should be able to resolve it pretty painlessly! I think the second option sounds best, though keen to hear your thoughts s.9(2)(a) OIA [redacted]

Ngā mihi,
s.9(2)(a) [redacted]

From: Ministerial Services <[redacted]@xxxxxxx.xxx.xx>

Sent: Monday, 11 November 2024 4:29 PM

To: s.9(2)(a) OIA <[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>; Police <[redacted]@xxxxxxx.xxx.xx>

Cc: [redacted] <[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>; [redacted] <[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a)

Hi s.9(2)(a) [redacted]

Just responding on Keenia's behalf.

Apologies for the mix up with BR/24/92, I'm not quite sure what has happened there but the version Keenia provided is the correct version. I have reattached this for your use (I'm not sure Keenia's s.9(2)(g)(i) OIA [redacted]

[redacted] Note, the response letter doesn't require updating as the grounds mentioned in the letter are still used in the paper, just to a lesser degree.

Regarding AM/24/128, another apologies from us- I see now it is addressed to the Associate Minister but unfortunately was recorded on our end as going to the Minister. Has the 24-238 (Costello) response been sent out? If not, we could quickly add it into that response. Otherwise your options are:

- Transfer to Costello's office (its much overdue and obviously isn't a good look however, is owned by her office). It would be a quick turn around drafting up a letter and getting this to you guys given its all already approved.
- Keep in Mitchell's response but we can add a line in to the letter that this paper was provided to Costello however, we have consulted with her office and have included it in this response.

Let me know how you would like to proceed

Thanks,
Britt

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2024 4:09 PM
To: Ministerial Services <[REDACTED]@xxxxxx.xxxx.x>; Police <[REDACTED]@xxxxxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a) [REDACTED]

Hi Keenia,

Thanks for this— I've just taken a look and two things leap out at me:

- AM/24/128 was addressed to (and received by) Minister Costello. Is it too late to transfer that part of the request to her office?
- BR/24/92 has just been considered as part of another OIA (24442) which is pending release. I note that the redactions you've proposed here are substantially reduced – is there an explanation for this? 24442 isn't due out until the end of the week so I've asked s.9(2)(a) OIA [REDACTED] to put it on hold while we reconcile the two versions of the document – however we would love to get both requests squared away within the next couple of days

Ngā mihi,
s.9(2)(a) [REDACTED]

From: Ministerial Services <[REDACTED]@xxxxxx.xxxx.x>
Sent: Thursday, 7 November 2024 9:24 AM
To: Police <[REDACTED]@xxxxxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Cc: s.9(2)(a) OIA [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a) [REDACTED]

Kia ora,

Please find attached the following for MIN OIA request s.9(2)(a) [REDACTED] 24452:

- Minister's Coversheet
- Draft response letter
- Copies of the documents for release marked for redaction.

Hardcopies will be sent in the bag.

Please let me know if you would like the copies of the documents withheld.

Ngā mihi

Keenia
Advisor - Ministerial Services
Police National Headquarters

From: Police <[REDACTED]@xxxxxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2024 3:16 PM
To: Ministerial Services <[REDACTED]@xxxxxx.xxxx.x>
Cc: s.9(2)(a) OIA [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] MIN OIA 24452/OIA-238 s.9(2)(a) [REDACTED]

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Kia ora

The Minister has received the below OIA request from **s.9(2)(a)** seeking:

BR/24/85	Programme of Change: Police Mental Health Response	4/07/2024
BR/24/86CC	Recruitment marketing campaign	03/07/2024
BR/24/92	Ministerial Consultation - Phase 2 Firearms	22/07/2024
BR/24/93	Combatting Fraud and Scams	24/07/2024
BR/24/98CC	TNOC core issue briefing for Minister National Security Intelligence	26/07/2024
AM/24/128	Solomon Islands Policing Programme	2/07/2024
AM/24/130CC	Niue Police engagement	5/07/2024
AM/24/133	Social Investment Ministerial Group: Meeting Agenda 22 July 2024	19/07/2024

I have partially transferred the CC papers to Minister Costello's office. Reference number is OIA-238 and is due with the requestor 7 November 2024.

Can Police please assist in drafting a response to these requests – thank you.

Ngā Mihi,



s.9(2)(a) OIA

Police – Correspondence Administrator | Office of Hon Mark Mitchell
Minister of Corrections | Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery
Minister of Police | MP for Whangaparaoa

Email: [\[REDACTED\]@parliament.govt.nz](mailto: [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz) Website: www.Beehive.govt.nz
Private Bag 16041, Parliament Buildings, Wellington 6160, New Zealand

From: Mark Mitchell (MIN) <M.Mitchell@ministers.govt.nz>

Sent: Monday, October 7, 2024 9:59 PM

To: Police <Police.portfolio@parliament.govt.nz>

Cc: **s.9(2)(a) OIA** <[\[REDACTED\]@parliament.govt.nz](mailto: [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz)>

Subject: FW: Radio NZ: request for briefings

Kia ora **s.9(2)(a) OIA**

The attached OIA has been acknowledged and logged, and is due on 5 November 2024 – Ref: 24452

Ngā mihi



s.9(2)(a) OIA

Executive Support | Office of Hon Mark Mitchell
Minister of Police
Minister of Corrections
Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery
MP for Whangaparaoa

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From: **s.9(2)(a) OIA** <[\[REDACTED\]@rnz.co.nz](mailto: [REDACTED]@rnz.co.nz)>

Sent: Monday, October 7, 2024 11:50 AM

To: Mark Mitchell (MIN) <M.Mitchell@ministers.govt.nz>

Subject: Radio NZ: request for briefings

Kia ora,

s.9(2)(a) OIA at RNZ, hope you're well.

May I please request the following documents:

BR/24/85	Programme of Change: Police Mental Health Response	4/07/2024
BR/24/86CC	Recruitment marketing campaign	03/07/2024
BR/24/92	Ministerial Consultation - Phase 2 Firearms	22/07/2024
BR/24/93	Combatting Fraud and Scams	24/07/2024
BR/24/98CC	TNOC core issue briefing for Minister National Security Intelligence	26/07/2024
AM/24/128	Solomon Islands Policing Programme	2/07/2024
AM/24/130CC	Niue Police engagement	5/07/2024
AM/24/133	Social Investment Ministerial Group: Meeting Agenda 22 July 2024	19/07/2024

Kind Regards,

s.9(2)(a) OIA

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From: Ministerial Services
To: s.9(2)(a) OIA [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Cc: [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz; [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Subject: OIAs for Ministerial Notification 18/11/2024 (No Surprises Notification x1)
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 11:05:57 am
Attachments: image001.png
OIA Response IR-01-24-31626.pdf

Kia ora team

OIA request for Ministerial Notification are attached and detailed in the tables below.

- No Surprise Notification (NSN) requests are due to be automatically sent out to the requestors to the dates indicated below.
- If there are any Refused In Full (RIF) requests, they will be automatically sent out at 3pm this afternoon. Please ensure that any queries or feedback on RIF requests are communicated prior to 3pm.

Please ensure that any queries or feedback are communicated prior to those dates.

No Surprise Notifications

IRT Reference	Requester	Date due with Requester	Topic	Other relevant information	No. of pages	Minister's Office Comment
IR-01-24-31626	s.9(2)(a)	4 November (overdue)	Firearms reform programme pertaining to shooting clubs and ranges	For your awareness that this is to be released.	97	

Ngā mihi

Siena Forbes-Lewis (she/her)
Advisor - Ministerial Services
Police National Headquarters
P s.9(2)(a) OIA [redacted]



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To: [s.9\(2\)\(a\)@parliament.govt.nz](#)
Cc: [@parliament.govt.nz](#); [@parliament.govt.nz](#); [@parliament.govt.nz](#)
Subject: gang disruption unit
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 4:35:39 pm
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi [s.9\(2\)\(a\)](#)
OIA

Just FYI the below release just went out which didn't get sent down for some reason. I've flagged with the team these ones need to come to you.

Thanks!

"Drugs, guns, and ammunition located at Kapiti Coast house"

Attribute to Constable Sam Lewis, Wellington Gang Disruption Unit.

Wellington Police seized a large haul of ammunition, drugs, and firearms last week in Kapiti.

On Friday 15 November at around 7:30pm Police went to the address of a Mongrel Mob prospect in Waikanae Beach to assist with an unrelated matter.

Upon arrival, Police located cannabis at the address, a search warrant was executed, and a significant amount of cannabis plant and cannabis resin was located.

While inside the address Police also located and seized a Military Style Semi-Automatic (MSSR).22 rifle which is a prohibited firearm and a 12-gauge pump-action shotgun.

Police also located two .22 magazines – with a 16 round capacity, which are also prohibited.

Over 400 rounds of .22 ammunition, 25 rounds of slug and buckshot shotgun ammunition and two rifle silencers were found during the search.

One male, who does not hold a current New Zealand Firearms License was arrested at the scene.

Police work hard to hold offenders to account, especially those with the potential to cause serious harm in our communities, such as people unlawfully in the possession of firearms.

We will continue to keep the pressure on gang members, associates, and those attempting to evade the justice system.

The male aged 35-years-old from Kapiti was charged with multiple offences and held in custody and is next due to appear in court on Wednesday 20 November 2024.

ENDS

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You can also view this release, including any additional images, on the [NZ Police app](#) or at: <https://www.police.govt.nz/news/release/drugs-guns-and-ammunition-located-kapiti-coast-house>

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To: [Ministerial Services](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz; [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz; [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz;
SMITH, Jason
Subject: FW: WQ - 10 question(s) released to Minister
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)
[Written-Questions-Export - 2024-11-18T123641.254.xlsx](#)

Kia ora

See attached for today's WPQs.

From my read 74790, 74795, 75144, 75192, 75206, 75278 and 75287 are for Police to respond to.

Ngā Mihi,



s.9(2)(a) OIA

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From: Written Questions <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, 18 November 2024 12:30 PM
To: s.9(2)(a) OIA [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: WQ - 10 question(s) released to Minister

Reply 74790 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, has the Minister taken to Cabinet Committees during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by Cabinet Committee, title and date?

[74790 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74793 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, did the Minister or their Office put out for ministerial consultation during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[74793 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74792 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, did the Minister or their Office put out for party consultation during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[74792 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74795 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What papers, if any, did the Minister take to Cabinet during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[74795 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74794 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What aides-mémoire, briefings, memos, notes, reports, or any other advice, if any, has the Minister or their Office received during the week beginning 11 November 2024, listed by agency, title and date received?

[74794 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75144 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many voluntary redundancies have been offered to non-sworn staff since May 2024 to date, broken down by the roles impacted, projects and programmes and what services they provide?

[75144 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75192 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many vetting requests, if any, have Police received from Australian police jurisdictions for constabulary staff between 14 October 2024 to date, broken down by the number of constabulary staff, if any, who have since resigned after having a vetting check?

[75192 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75206 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many, if any, search warrants have been actioned related to gang members or gang associates since September 2024 to date, broken down by district?

[75206 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75278 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What consultations on job reviews, if any, were made in the Minister's departments, if any, since 1 November 2024, and when will any final decisions on any job reviews be made?

[75278 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75287 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many roles, if any, were decided on to be cut in the Minister's departments, if any, since 1 November 2024, and what were these roles, if any?

[75287 \(2024\)](#)

From: [Nicole McKee \(MIN\)](#)
To: [Police](#)
Cc: [Mark Mitchell \(MIN\)](#)
Subject: FW: Gang patch legislation concerns
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 1:04:23 pm

Hi team,

Sorry for the delay in sending this through - we did an audit and this one fell through the cracks.

Would Min Mitchell's office be happy to accept the correspondence below?

Thanks

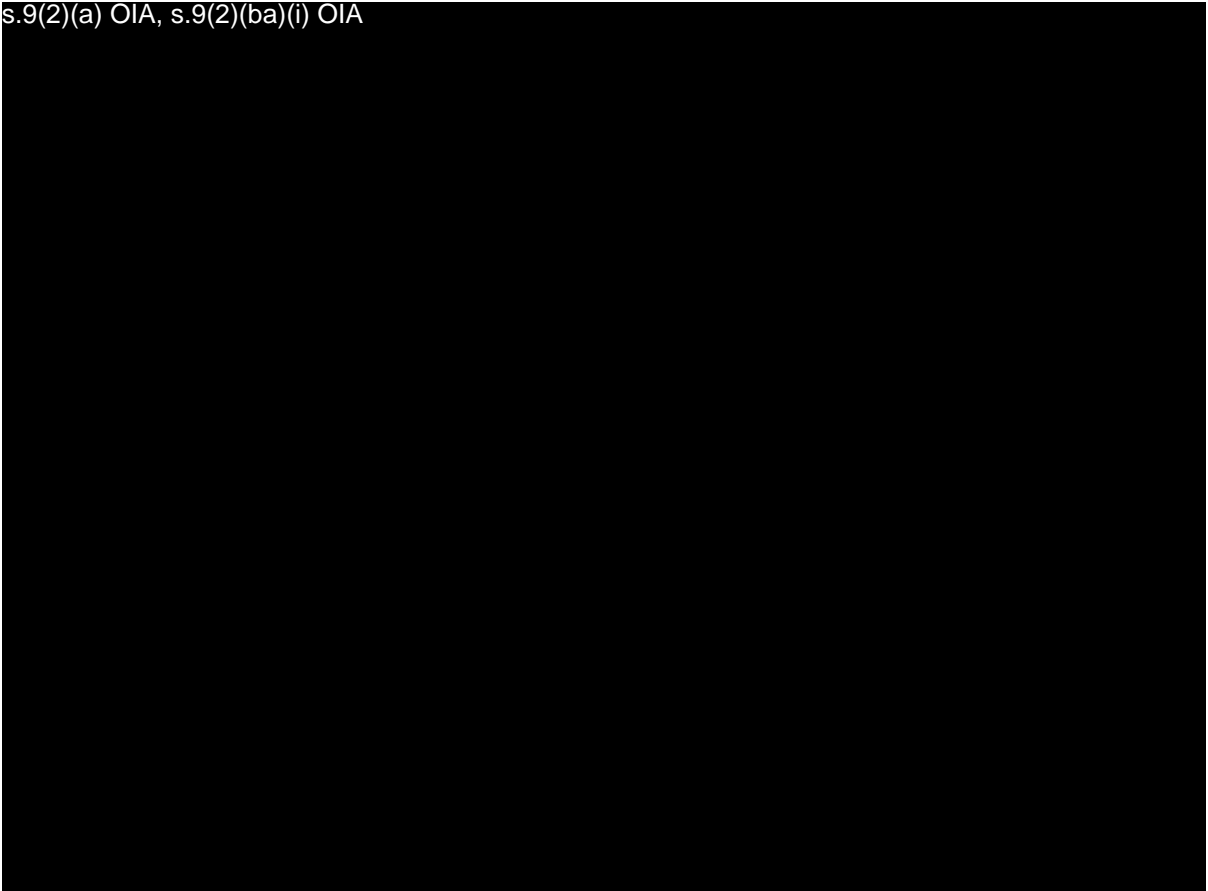
s.9(2)(a) OIA | Private Secretary (Executive Support) | Office of Hon Nicole McKee
Minister for Courts | Associate Minister of Justice
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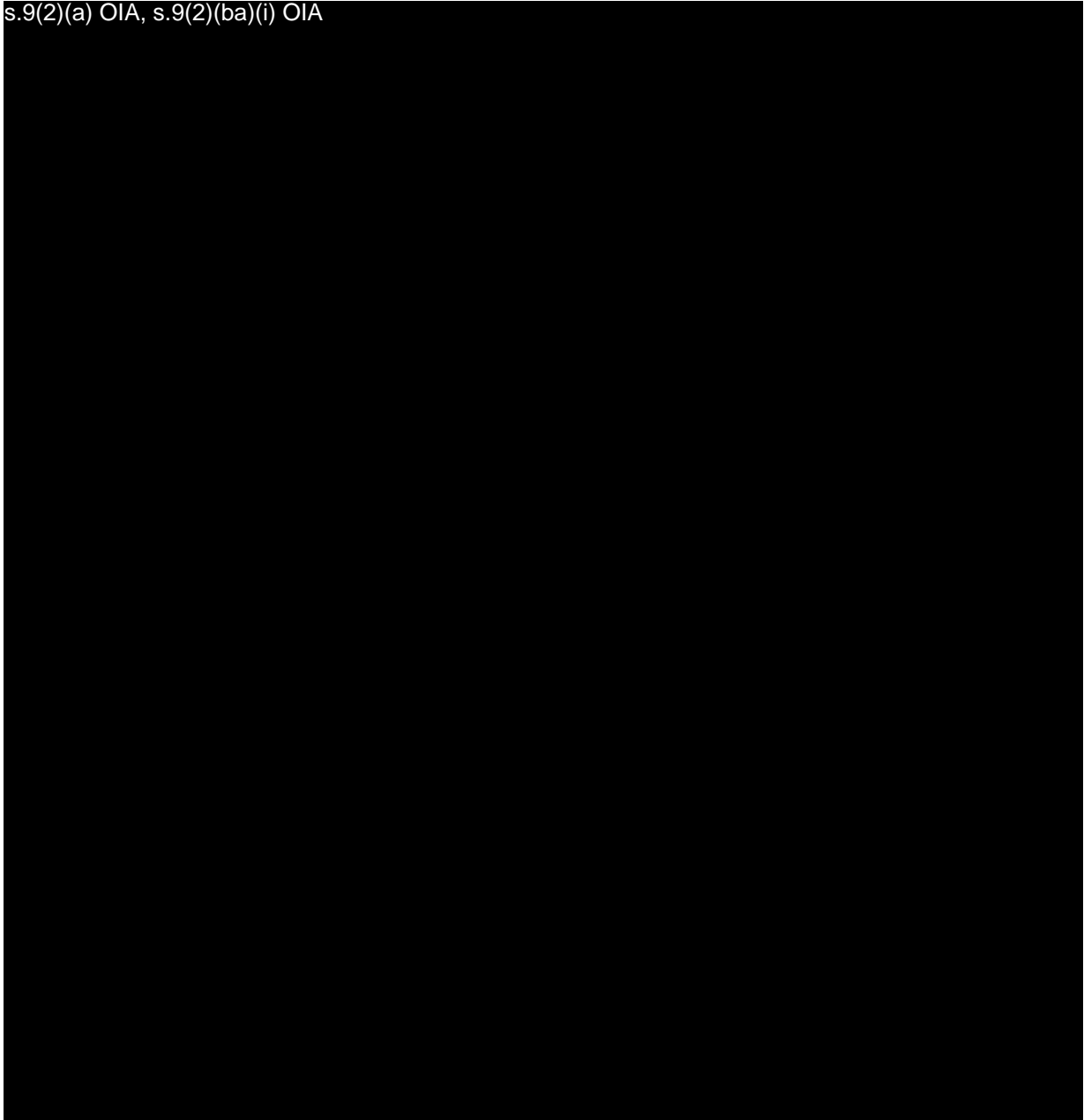
From: **s.9(2)(a) OIA**
Sent: Thursday, 19 September 2024 3:58 PM
To: Nicole McKee <xxxxxx.xxxxx@xxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Subject: Gang patch legislation concerns

Kia Ora Nicole,

s.9(2)(a) OIA, s.9(2)(ba)(i) OIA



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From: s.9(2)(a)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EMBARGOED PR: Mark Mitchell - Police stats show promising change
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Hon Mark Mitchell Minister of Police



UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL PRESS CONFERENCE BEGINS

18 November 2024

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Media contact: s9(2)(a) s9(2)(a)

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From: s.9(2)(a)
To: @parliament.govt.nz
Cc:
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] - Todays pre-rec for First Up
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 3:37:36 pm
Attachments: image001.jpg

Not yet on my side sorry – I cc'd you in and I understood s.9(2)(a) was coming back a little while ago so I'll chase!

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA @parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Monday, 18 November 2024 3:35 PM
To: @parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: @parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] - Todays pre-rec for First Up

Thanks s.9(2)(a) – locked in for 530pm. Any word from PMO yet?

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA @parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Monday, 18 November 2024 12:48 PM
To: @parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: @parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] - Todays pre-rec for First Up

Hey s.9(2)(a) OIA – thanks again for covering this!

Outside of scope

[Redacted]

Cheers

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA @rnz.co.nz>
Sent: Monday, 18 November 2024 12:03 PM
To: @parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: @parliament.govt.nz>; [Redacted]
@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] - Todays pre-rec for First Up

Thanks for your work s.9(2)(a) always good to have Mark on!

s.9(2)(a) OIA would 7.30pm-8pm be possible? s.9(2)(a) OIA

Topics –

Outside of scope

[Redacted]

Outside of scope

Gang patch insignia law comes into force on Thursday – Minister's expectations

Thanks all,

s.9(2)(a)

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>

Sent: Monday, 18 November 2024 11:37 AM

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@rnz.co.nz>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] - Todays pre-rec for First Up

Hey s.9(2)(a)

I have spoken to [REDACTED] and its likely that Mark Mitchell will be able to fill in.

Would a pre rec at around 8.30pm tonight be possible at all?

Grateful if you can please still loop us in with the topics also.

Thanks s.9(2)(a)



s.9(2)(a) OIA

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Minister of Finance

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To: [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz; [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Subject: DRAFT MP COMMS: Police stats show promising change
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 1:34:09 pm
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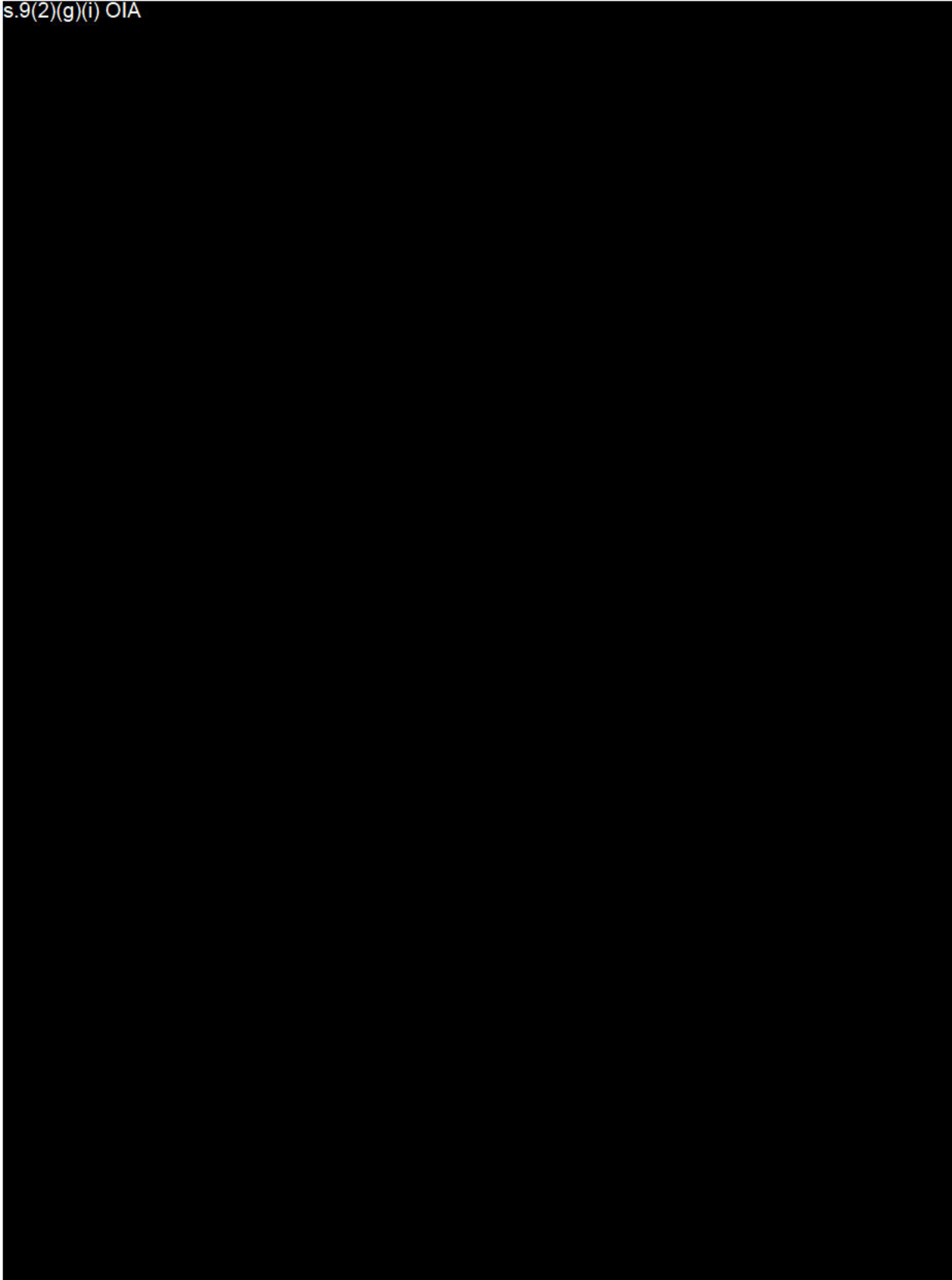
Please find below the draft MP Comms for today's announcement. Let me know if you want to change anything up.

Cheers,

s.9(2)(a) OIA [redacted]

s.9(2)(g)(i) OIA [redacted]

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s.9(2)(a) OIA | Research and Communications Advisor

National Leader's Office



[\[redacted\]@parliament.govt.nz](mailto: [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz)

From: [Written Questions](#)
To: [s.9\(2\)\(a\) OIA](#) [@parliament.govt.nz](#)
Subject: WQ - 24 question(s) released to Minister
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 12:30:54 pm

Reply 74790 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, has the Minister taken to Cabinet Committees during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by Cabinet Committee, title and date?

[74790 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74793 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, did the Minister or their Office put out for ministerial consultation during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[74793 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74792 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, did the Minister or their Office put out for party consultation during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[74792 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74795 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What papers, if any, did the Minister take to Cabinet during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[74795 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74794 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What aides-mémoire, briefings, memos, notes, reports, or any other advice, if any, has the Minister or their Office received during the week beginning 11 November 2024, listed by agency, title and date received?

[74794 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74995 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Emergency Management and Recovery (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, did the Minister or their Office put out for party consultation during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[74995 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74999 (2024) has been released

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[74999 \(2024\)](#)

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[74998 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75000 (2024) has been released

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[75000 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 74996 (2024) has been released

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[74996 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75047 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Corrections (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What Cabinet papers, if any, did the Minister or their Office put out for ministerial consultation during the week beginning 11 November 2024, by title and date?

[75047 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75048 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Corrections (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

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[75048 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75049 (2024) has been released

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Due: 26 Nov 2024

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[75049 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75046 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Corrections (Hon Mitchell)

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[75046 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75052 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Corrections (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

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[75052 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75144 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many voluntary redundancies have been offered to non-sworn staff since May 2024 to date, broken down by the roles impacted, projects and programmes and what services they provide?

[75144 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75190 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Emergency Management and Recovery (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: What consultations on job reviews, if any, were made in the Minister's departments, if any, since 1 November 2024, and when will any final decisions on any job reviews be made?

[75190 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75192 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many vetting requests, if any, have Police received from Australian police jurisdictions for constabulary staff between 14 October 2024 to date, broken down by the number of constabulary staff, if any, who have since resigned after having a vetting check?

[75192 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75206 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Police (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many, if any, search warrants have been actioned related to gang members or gang associates since September 2024 to date, broken down by district?

[75206 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75208 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Emergency Management and Recovery (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

Question: How many roles, if any, were decided on to be cut in the Minister's departments, if any, since 1 November 2024, and what were these roles, if any?

[75208 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75224 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Corrections (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

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[75224 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75233 (2024) has been released

Portfolio: Corrections (Hon Mitchell)

Due: 26 Nov 2024

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[75233 \(2024\)](#)

Reply 75278 (2024) has been released

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[75278 \(2024\)](#)

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[75287 \(2024\)](#)

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To: [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Subject: Re: GOING APPROX. 2:15 PR: Mark Mitchell - Police stats show promising change
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 12:52:50 pm
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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s.9(2)(a) OIA

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Subject: Re: GOING APPROX. 2:15 PR: Mark Mitchell - Police stats show promising change

Can we please just update the note underneath the stats to say victimisations (demographics) rather than victimisations?

s.9(2)(a) OIA

Ministerial Advisor
Hon Mark Mitchell

[redacted]@parliament.govt.nz

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2024 12:50:03 PM
To: Government PRs Going Soon <GovernmentPRsGoingSoon@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: GOING APPROX. 2:15 PR: Mark Mitchell - Police stats show promising change

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To: @parliament.govt.nz
Cc: @parliament.govt.nz
Subject: OIA for review - Due 18/11
Date: Monday, 18 November 2024 12:56:18 pm
Attachments: [MIN 644.pdf](#)
[Minister's Weekly Report - Week Ending 20 September 2024 - MARKED.pdf](#)

s.9(2)(a), just checking you were ok with this before it goes out?

Thanks

s.9(2)(a)
OIA

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA
Sent: Monday, 11 November 2024 2:29 PM
To: @parliament.govt.nz>
@parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: @parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: OIA for review - Due 18/11

Hey s.9(2)(a)
OIA

Are you ok with the attached response? Two Minister's weekly reports in scope.

Thanks,

s.9(2)(a)

From: s.9(2)(a) OIA @parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Friday, 11 October 2024 3:08 PM
To: Hon Mark Mitchell <@>
Subject: OIA Request

Kia ora,

Under the Official Information Act, I request the following:

Copies of any weekly reports provided by Corrections to the Minister during the week of 16 September 2024 and 23 September 2024.

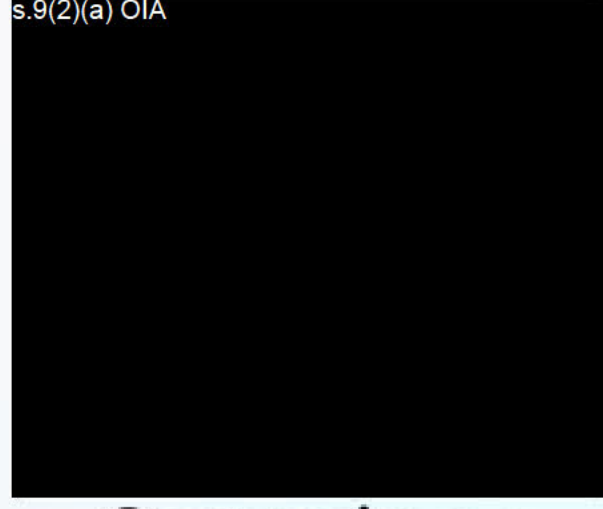
Ngā mihi nui,

s.9(2)(a) OIA | Senior Researcher
Labour Leader's Office

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Rival gangs to join hīkoi; second march considered when patch law comes into force

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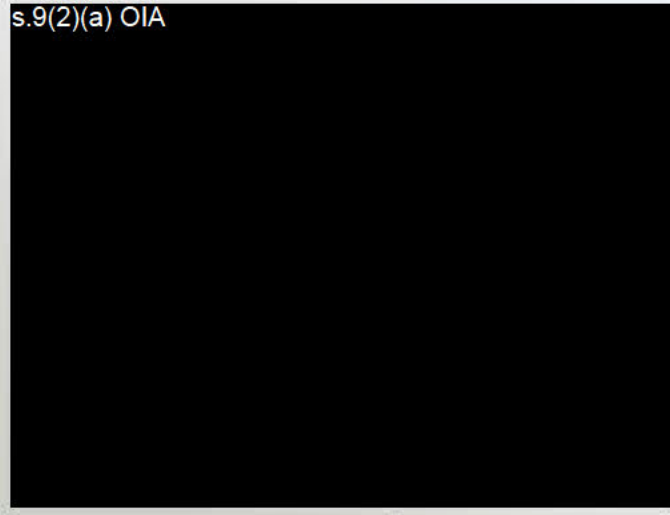
Gang Stand: Rival gangs to make a stand against new patch in public law

Mon, 18 Nov at 3:14 PM



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Wtf!

With gang members attending the Hikoi at parliament tomorrow, what message does this send?

How can the public have any confidence that the Police are impartial when they are painting banners for th...



Suit and tie (@Suitandtie9999)

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Can we please get an explanation for this

Sure thing



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