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Ross Stewart

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Ref: PMO 012-2017

Dear Ross Stewart

Official Information Act request relating to your OIA made to Minister of Police

I refer to your Official Information Act request received on 2 February 2017 which asked:

"Having lodged an request under the Freedom of Information Act NZ to the Minister of NZ Police on Wednesday 14 December 2016 which reads, Minister Of New Zealand Police:

Mt Wellington Residential School/

Department of Education District Child Welfare Office 1/ Was the New Zealand Police notified of information from the Department of Education District Child Welfare Office in Auckland in January 1961 regarding evidence of a Handyman/relief Housemaster employee employed at Mt. Wellington Residential School suspected of improprieties towards male/s pupils attending Mt Wellington Residential School?

2/

Did Department of Education District Child Welfare Office in Auckland New Zealand provide the New Zealand Police of the suspected employees name and details of suspected improprieties committed?

3/

Were any investigations undertaken by the New Zealand Police into the Department of Education District Child Welfare Office request in locating a missing suspect employee of Mt Wellington Residential School?"

The information you advised that you requested from the Minister of Police in December 2016 is information that would be most likely held by New Zealand Police. To the extent that your request to this Office is for this information, I believe your request is more closely connected to the functions of New Zealand Police. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(ii) of the Official Information Act to transfer your request to New Zealand Police.

New Zealand Police has 20 working days from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

You are entitled to ask the Ombudsman to review this response under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. You can contact the Ombudsman online via the Ombudsman website, by email (info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143. Further details can be found on the Ombudsman website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

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

 Wayne Eagleson
Chief of Staff