



**Te Tari Taiwhenua  
Internal Affairs**

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Dear Mr Francis

**Your official information request, reference OIA 18/19-075**

Thank you for your email of 4 August 2018 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*"In July 2018, Dr Pauline Kingi was appointed to enquire into the Appointment Process for a Deputy Commissioner of Police.*

- 1. Did she declare a conflict or potential conflict of interest prior to or after her appointment?*
- 2. If so, what conflict or potential conflict did she declare? Was she asked to declare any conflict or potential conflict of interest?*
- 3. Did Internal Affairs receive any comments or concerns about Ms Kingi's appointment on or before she resigned her role? If so, what were the comments or concerns?*

*Please provide me with all records, including any declaration signed by Ms Kingi in respect of conflicts of interest, in relation to the above questions."*

I note the Department of Internal Affairs' email to you, dated 21 August 2018, notifying you of an extension to the deadline for a decision on your request to 14 September 2018.

In response to parts 1 and 2 of your request, the Department received an email, dated 20 July 2018, attaching Dr Pauline Kingi's Appointment Disclosure Form. A copy of this email (within the email trail dated 31 July 2018) and disclosure form is attached. Note that Dr Kingi's date of birth has been withheld subject to section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect her privacy.

Four emails fall within scope of part 3 of your request. Please find copies of the documents released attached. A list of the documents in scope, for ease of reference, is attached as **Appendix A**. Some information has been withheld and, where this is the case, the relevant section of the Act is provided. I am withholding information:

- subject to section 9(2)(a) of the Act, where it is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons. This includes contact details of selected officials; and

- subject to section 9(2)(ba)(i) of the Act, to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

As is required by section 9(1) of the Act, I have considered whether the grounds for withholding information from the documents provided with this response are outweighed by other considerations which would make it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available. In this instance, I do not consider that to be the case.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you have the right to seek an investigation and review of this decision by an Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The contact address is: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143. You can also phone 0800 802 602 or send an email to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely



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Acting Director Operational Services



## Appendix A

Key:

R – Release in full

W – Withhold in full

WIP – Withhold in part

Document type	Email subject line/document name	Document date	Release or withhold	Section
Email	FW: IN CONFIDENCE: Disclosure form for Dr Pauline Kingi	31/07/2018 10:55am	R	
Attachment	Dr Kingi's Appointment Disclosure Form		WIP	9(2)(a)
Email	FW: Dr Pauline Kingi/endorsement of Wally Haumaha	31/07/2018 10:27am	WIP	9(2)(a)
Email	FW: Screenshot	31/07/2018 10:31am	WIP	9(2)(a)
Email	FW: Questions	31/07/2018 11:33am	WIP	9(2)(a) 9(2)(ba)(i)
Email	RE: Dr Pauline Kingi/Commissioner Mike Bush	01/08/2018 12:41pm	WIP	9(2)(a)