

29 June 2023

DOIA23/141

s9(2)(a)

Tēnā koe s9(2)(a)

I refer to your request received on 12 June 2023, which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), asking for copies of the following papers:

1. AM23/186 *The Brotheman Project and Appendices 1-3*
2. BR23/200 *Response to the Economic Development Science and Innovation Committee regarding review of Radio New Zealand Charter*
3. BR23/177 *BRO Status Report (fortnight beginning 17 April 2023)*
4. AM23/167 *Minister Jackson meeting with Sinead Boucher*

I have decided to release the documents 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
- section 9(2)(ba)(i) – to protect information where the making available of the information
- section 9(2)(b)(ii) – to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, 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
- section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials
- section 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

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

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

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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