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**IR-01-20-12138**

Tena koe David

I refer to your Official Information Act 1982 request received on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2020 regarding meetings and/ or calls between Deputy Commissioner Wallace Haumaha and group of community and gang leaders.

Specifically you requested:

- 1. The dates on which any meetings (in person, or via telephone) occurred between staff at Police National HQ and gang leaders for the period 1 February 2020 to 05 May 2020.*
- 2. Which gangs, organisations and government agencies took part in each call or meeting?*
- 3. The roles held (but not the names) of the individuals representing each gang, organisation or agency that took part in each call or meeting.*
- 4. The agenda for each call or meeting.*
- 5. Any minutes or notes of the discussion for each call or meeting.*

I have considered your request under the Official Information act 1982 and provide the response below:

1. Between 1 February 2020 and 05 May 2020, six hui were conducted via phone or video conferencing on the following dates; 30 March, 3 April, 7 April, 17 April, 24 April, and 1 May.
2. These meetings were attended by representatives from Black Power, Mongrel Mob, Ministry of Social Development, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment, the Māori Women's Welfare League, and staff members of New Zealand Police.
3. We are not able to provide you with the roles held of the individuals representing each gang, as that information was not provided or noted in

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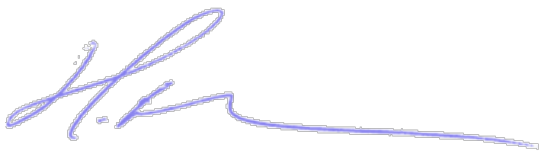
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the context of these Hui. Therefore this part of your request has been refused pursuant to s18 (e) of the Official Information Act 1982, as the information doesn't exist. The roles held by individuals representing organisations and agencies that took part in each call or meeting are set out in the minutes attached.

4. There were no formal agenda documents created for the hui therefore this part of your request has been refused, pursuant to s18 (e) of the Official Information Act 1982, as the information doesn't exist.
5. Please find copies of the minutes attached as requested.

You have the right, under section 28 (3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Ngā mihi,



Michael McLean  
National Manager  
Māori, Pacific, and Ethnic Services