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Ref: PMO 2022-006

Tēnā koe Ryan Bullock

Official Information Act request for correspondence between journalists and the Prime Minister

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 27 January 2022. You requested:

Can you provide all correspondence between the PM and Jessica Mutch McKay and Tova O'Brien.

There was some information identified relevant to your request however this was not held in the Prime Minister's official capacity as a Minister of the Crown and is therefore not covered by the Act. Accordingly, we are refusing your request under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information requested is not held by a department or Minister of the Crown.

The information identified were two messages sent between the individuals mentioned in your request and the Prime Minister, one message asking if the Prime Minister would attend an event and another from the Prime Minister that clarified some information provided in a press conference.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Ngā mihi nui,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Raj Nahna', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Raj Nahna
Chief of Staff