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## Tēnā koe Angela

## OIA request 21/22 0849 Request for all correspondence etc in regards to Jeff Montgomery and being appointed for

Thank you for your Official Information Act (Act) request received by the Department of Internal Affairs (Department) on 15 June 2022.

## You requested -

- I would like to request all staff emails and instant messages created about the Registrar General Jeff Montgomery including, but not limited to, his suitability for the role.
- I would like this to cover all DIA staff and the Internal Affairs Minister, all DIA Chief Executives and Deputy Chief Executives and any other ministers involved in his appointment.
- I would like this to include all information prior to and leading up to his appointment and the 12months post his appointment.
- Was the role advertised, how many people applied for the role of Registrar General and their qualifications please?
- I am happy for staff names and potential applicants to be redacted to protect privacy if this is deemed necessary.

In response to your request, I can provide you with the following information:

On the 28 June 2022 under Official Information Act request 2122-0797, (an earlier request from you) we released the details around the job description, salary band range and other information about the Registrar General.

The information you have requested currently is of a significant volume. Due to the substantial amount of work that would be required to research and collate the information you have requested, I must refuse your full request under section 18(f) of the Act; that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, the Department has decided to proactively release a copy of this response on the DIA website. All requestor data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available here: <a href="https://www.dia.govt.nz/Official-Information-Act-Requests-2">https://www.dia.govt.nz/Official-Information-Act-Requests-2</a>.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

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