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Ref: OIA-2022/23-0588

Dear Rorie

**Official Information Act request relating to party branding in the House of Representatives**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 13 February 2023.

You have requested:

*"I was wondering where the binders that members of house had them on their seats with their respective party branding and colour on them had gone?"*

*We're they removed due to a ruling from the Speaker or a decision taken by respective members or parties?"*

*I understand this may not be in your field of questioning therefore I appreciate if you could transfer the question to the correct department."*

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) does not hold the information you requested, and we cannot think of any other agency subject to the OIA that would hold it, or whose functions would be more closely connected to it. I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(g) of the OIA because the information is not held.

The Speaker and Members of Parliament are not subject to the OIA as per section 2(1) of the OIA so you may wish to email them directly with your question. You can contact the Speakers Office at [speakers.office@parliament.govt.nz](mailto:speakers.office@parliament.govt.nz).

There is information about contacting members of parliament here [www.parliament.nz/en/get-involved/have-your-say/contact-an-mp/](http://www.parliament.nz/en/get-involved/have-your-say/contact-an-mp/), and information about parliamentary parties here [www.parliament.nz/en/mps-and-electoralates/political-parties/](http://www.parliament.nz/en/mps-and-electoralates/political-parties/).

I trust the information provided is of assistance. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the OIA. We do not intend to publish this response on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website.

Yours sincerely

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