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Our ref: OIA – 107304

Tēnā koe Section 9(2)(a)

Official Information Act request: Criminalisation of stalking

Thank you for your email of 11 September 2023 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information regarding stalking. Specifically, you requested:

All briefings, reports and communication in the last six months to and from the MoJ regarding the criminalisation of stalking. Can I also please have any minutes from any meetings where this was discussed.

I can advise that the Ministry does not hold any material in scope of your request. Therefore, I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(g) of the Act on the grounds that the information requested is not held by the Ministry and I have no grounds for believing it is held by another agency subject to the Act.

I can, however, advise that there has been some media interest in this topic and some communications have been provided to reporters. However, these communications do not contain any more information than that which was provided to you by the Minister of Justice, Hon Ginny Andersen, on 2 August 2023.

If you require any further information, please contact Media & Social Media Manager Joe Locke at: media@justice.govt.nz.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: justice.govt.nz/about/official-information-act-requests/oia-responses/.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Office of the Ombudsman may be contacted by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phone on 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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