

18 November 2022

By email to:

Dear

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2022/36

On 21/10/22 you made a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) for the following information:

Can you please forward any communications between 1 September 2022 and 19 October 2022:

- 1) Between your chief executive or other executive manager and your communications/media staff regarding how media queries are dealt with.
- 2) From the office of your relevant minister regarding how media queries are dealt with. Please note this is a request for the entirety of any communications captured, not just any parts deemed "in scope".

If there have been oral discussions that have not been documented, please briefly summarise what was said, and by whom.

There were no communications between 1 September 2022 and 19 October 2022 between the Electoral Commission Chief Executive or other executive managers and our media staff regarding how media queries are dealt with, or from the office of the Minister of Justice regarding how media queries are dealt with.

In the interests of transparency, we release responses to Official Information Act requests every 3 months. We will publish this response with your personal details redacted.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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