5 August 2024

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Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request of 8 July 2024 for:

- *A list of work programmes which had at least one staff member working on them prior to October 14, 2023 that currently do not have any staff members working on them.*
- *The above list broken down by how many staff members were working on the work programme prior to October 14, 2023; the date staff members were directed to no longer work on the given work programme; and by who (such as which minister or official) that direction came from.*
- *Copies of any findings, briefings, documents, and communications including emails, discussing the removal of staff from the given work programme.*

Manatū Wāhine Ministry for Women (the Ministry) regularly reviews its work programmes and outcome areas to deliver on its strategic priorities.

The Ministry's work plan for 2024/25 is currently being finalised. We will continue to work on issues impacting women in the labour market, education, health, and family violence, sexual violence and representation in leadership.

Ministry staff work flexibly and in a collaborative way across multiple work programmes, to ensure all key deliverables and requirements are met. This means we are not able to provide a breakdown of the number of staff working on programmes at a point in time, as this fluctuates dependent on the programme's phase and the mix of skills required.

Official Information Act responses
Please note that this response, with your personal details redacted, may be published on the Ministry's website. If you have any concerns or comments related to this, please let us know by emailing ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz, within two weeks of the date of this letter.

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.

Nāku noa, nā

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