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RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (REF: DOIA046-2023/24)

On 12 February 2024, you contacted the Ministry for Pacific Peoples (the Ministry) requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information relating to processing OIA requests. I have outlined your specific request and my response below.

I would like to request the following information under the OIA... all instructions to or within your agency on the processing of OIA requests issued since 27 November 2023.

This would include (for example) manuals (if issued since that date), emails, or verbal instructions, both within the agency and from Ministers (or their offices).

No instructions have been issued to Ministry staff since 27 November 2023.

In line with standard OIA practice, the Ministry proactively publishes some of its responses to OIA requests. As such, this letter may be published on the Ministry for Pacific Peoples' website. Your personal details will be removed, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you or your organisation.

Should you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact the Ministry at: oia_requests@mpp.govt.nz.

If you are dissatisfied with this response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ali Ajmal', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ali Ajmal
Deputy Secretary,
Office of the Secretary