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Official Information request and response

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act ("OIA") dated 16 January 2024.

You have requested:

- *Provide all documentation relating to the application for funding from the show, "Mata Reports".*
- *Provide all correspondence, both internal and external, that relates to the merits/benefits (or lack thereof) of the application.*
- *Provide all correspondence relating to any decisions on whether to approve or deny funding for this show.*

I have attached the requested information that we are able to release:

- A copy of the funding proposal submitted to NZ On Air
- A copy of the letter from the platform to NZ On Air supporting the programme's funding application
- A copy of the funding recommendation paper submitted to the NZ On Air Staff Investment Committee in respect of the programme.

The following redactions in these documents have been made under Sections 9(2)(b)(i) and 9(2)(b)(ii) of the OIA:

- Details of the budget, possible episode topics and the marketing/release strategy.

We decline to release the budget for the programme under s 9(2)(b)(ii) of the OIA.

For your information, funding provided by NZ On Air for all successful projects is [searchable](#) on our website. You can also [sign up](#) to receive our regular industry newsletter via our website.

You have the right to refer this response to the Ombudsman if you are dissatisfied with it. More information on how to do this is [here](#). NZ On Air proactively releases information in accordance with the Government's commitment to the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan. This includes publishing responses to requests for information under the OIA. Please note that this response (with your name removed) will be published on the NZ On Air website shortly and will remain on our website for 12 months.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

Yours sincerely

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

Sharon Kerry
HEAD OF CORPORATE SERVICES