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Tēnā koe James,

Official Information request and response

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act ("OIA") dated 28 November 2023.

You have requested:

- 1. Whether NZ on Air received any applications to the Public Interest Journalism Fund (PIJF) that did not agree to show a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, including a commitment to te reo Māori? If so, how many and whether any such applications were successful or declined?; and*
- 2. The total number of applications to the PIJF.*

Please see below our response:

1. NZ On Air did not receive any applications to the PIJF that did not agree or refused to show a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, including a commitment to te reo Māori.

We decline this part of your request under Section 18(g)(i) of the Official Information Act

2. NZ On Air received a total of 449 applications to the PIJF. Of these 449 applications, 196 applications were successful and approved for funding. All funding decisions are [searchable](#) on 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

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