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## Official Information request and response

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act ("OIA") dated 10 May 2025 and extended till 8 July 2025.

You have requested:

- 1. A letter dated around September 2022 from then broadcasting minister Willie Jackson to NZ on Air discussing the reallocation of funds from NZ on Air to the planned Aotearoa New Zealand public media entity.
- 2. A copy of the draft 2023/24 Discussion Paper on the transition year of the establishment of the Aotearoa NZ Public Media entity.

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

- 1. A copy of the letter from Minister Jackson to NZ On Air conveying the impact on NZ On Air's baseline funding should Parliament pass the Aotearoa New Zealand Public Media Bill.
- 2. A copy of the draft 2023/24 Discussion Paper on the transition year strategy if the Aotearoa NZ Public Media entity (ANZPM) was established. We have withheld some information in this document under s 9(2)(g)(i) of the OIA to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression between officers or employees of an agency in the course of their duty.

Please note this is also an unfinalised internal planning document and was not intended for public release in this form. The ANZPM Bill was <u>withdrawn</u> and ultimately not established. This stopped further work intended to refine this strategy and so this document has no current relevance.

For your information, funding provided by NZ On Air for all successful projects is <u>searchable</u> on our website. You can also <u>sign up</u> 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 <u>here</u>. 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.

## **Connecting and reflecting Aotearoa**

Ngā manaakitanga,

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