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Official Information Request Our Ref: OIA 2024-0309

I refer to your official information request received on 9 October 2024 where you have asked:

"As per OIA (1982), requesting details of number of applicants - including external vs internal breakdown - for Police Commissioner role."

Our response

The appointment process for the Police Commissioner role is currently ongoing. To protect the confidentiality and integrity of the appointment process, Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission (the Commission) does not comment on active appointments, including the number of and list of applicants. We are therefore refusing your request under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.

Following the completion of the appointment process, the Commission proactively releases on their website, the appointment documents, which includes the number of applications received. These documents will be published at the following location: Publications-Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz.

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.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's website.

Yours sincerely

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