07 May 2015

Re: Urgent request under section 34 of the Privacy Act 1993 (the Act), for confirmation of information being held on me, in relation to my earlier requests for an inquiry and audit into the Ombudsman’s Office; see also your file ref. 13xxx

Dear Lyn Provost, dear Maria Rawiri, dear staff at the Office of the Auditor-General

Please accept my request under section 34 of the Privacy Act 1993 for confirmation that your Office is holding personal information on me in relation to requests I made to your Office, to conduct an inquiry into, and audit of, the Office of the Ombudsman. I urgently seek this confirmation under section 6 and Principle 6 (1) (a) and (b) of the Act.

I ask that the information is made available to me according to the provisions of section 42 (1) (e), by listing the individual documents containing any information kept on me, including such that was received from me by email or post, by name, title, date and type of record.

Furthermore I ask you to confirm to me, whether any of the personal information was provided to another agency (or Office) under section 6 and Principle 11 of the Act, whether under section (d), or under any other section (or subsection) of that Principle. In the case information has been disclosed to another agency (or Office), I also ask for this to be disclosed by name, title, date and type of record under section 42 (1) (e) of the Act.

I had already previously asked for confirmation from you, whether the information I had sent to you, had been sent on to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as I had requested in the case your Office would uphold a decision not to conduct an inquiry or audit into the Ombudsman’s Office. This was by way of my letter dated 23 April 2015 (see Para [12]). But no confirmation had ever been provided. Hence I asked you again in an email dated 01 May 2015 (sent 08:15pm), to expressly confirm the same, but again no response of any sorts has been received from you.

As the matters I raised with your Office are of extreme concern to me, I insist on being informed about what information you hold on me - and in relation to past correspondence, and on what action you have taken to meet my repeated requests, that the matters be referred to the Speaker of Parliament.

Given the huge delay in time since my first request, and given the delay in responding to my last requests for confirmation, I consider this Privacy Act request as being very urgent, as further delays will severely disadvantage me in having the various serious issues resolved in a satisfactory manner.
I expect your considered response as soon as is reasonably possible under these circumstances.

Yours thankfully and sincerely

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Attachment to email carrying this letter (1 PDF files with a scan copy of this letter):
‘OAG, Privacy Act request, for personal information held, your ref. 13xxx, X. X., 07.05.15’