9(2)(a)

Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

I refer to your request received on 7 July 2022, which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), for the following information:

"The total cost of Matariki Celebrations"

I have refused your request under section 18(d) of the OIA – as the information requested was captured in Written Parliamentary Question: 23355 (2022) and is publicly available at: <u>https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/order-paper-questions/written-questions/document/WQ</u> 23355 2022/23355-2022-simon-oconnor-to-the-minister-for-arts.

Please consider, the costs provided in our response are specific to Manatū Taonga. Other agencies and organisations may have also provided funding to support the celebrations however, we do not have access to their information. The total cost is not held by one department/organisation

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 <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Ministry's website.

Nāku noa, nā



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