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Tēnā koe s9(2)(a)

I refer to your request received on 13 May 2023, which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), for the following information:

Can you please tell me whether the chief executive and/or their senior leadership team use the Signal app on their work and/or personal smartphones to send work-related messages?

In response to your request, I can confirm the Chief Executive has the Signal app installed on his work phone. Regarding the other members of the Ministry's senior leadership team (listed here: <https://mch.govt.nz/about-ministry/our-people/ministry-leadership-team>), two individuals have this app installed on their work phone. No members of the leadership team have this app installed on their personal devices for the purposes of exchanging work-related messages.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact oiia@mch.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.

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