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21 May 2026: OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

In your email dated 21 May 2026 you requested the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- *What Artificial Intelligence is your Ministry considering implementing in the next year?*
- *What aspects or parts of the business will it be implemented? ie how will the AI be used*
- *Will it's implementation reduce the workload or staff numbers?*
- *What safety and security protocols has it had to pass to be considered acceptable for implementation?*

The New Zealand Film Commission (NZFC) is not currently planning to implement any new AI systems in the next year. While some of NZFC's existing software vendors are exploring the integration of AI functionality within their products, we have not yet agreed to any development pathway for the use of AI other than through the continued use of Microsoft Copilot, which supports administrative and business processes.

Any use of AI at NZFC is intended to support staff and improve operational efficiency, not to replace employees.

Please note that we will be publishing this letter (with your personal information removed) on the NZFC website.

You have the right, by way of complaint to an Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review of our response.

Yours sincerely

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