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26 JULY 2024: OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

In your email dated 26 July 2024 you requested information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Answers to your specific questions are set out below.

This is a request for Official Information under the Official Information Act 1982 in relation to a meeting held by the New Zealand Film Commission on the evening of 28/6/24 (scheduled from 6:30pm to 9pm in Melissa Lee's proactively released diary, available here: <https://www.beehive.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2024-07/Hon%20Melissa%20Lee%20Proactive%20Release%20-%20June%202024.pdf>).

Please provide the following information:

1. *Purpose of meeting*

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss international studio facilities and the International New Zealand Screen Production Rebate.

2. *Itinerary and breakdown of time spent*

The time was spent discussing international studio facilities and the International New Zealand Screen Production Rebate.

3. *Total cost of meeting*

- *Breakdown of costs*
- *Total spent on food and drink*
- *Total spent on alcohol*

The New Zealand Film Commission (NZFC) did not pay for any food or drink. Therefore, this information is not held by the NZFC.

4. *All invoices and receipts in relation to this event*

The NZFC did not spend any money in relation to this meeting. Therefore, this information is not held by the NZFC.

5. *List of attendees and number of attendees*

- *How many of these were Film Commission employees?*
- *How many of these were public sector employees more generally?*

Attendees were Minister Lee, NZFC Chief Executive Annie Murray and screen sector industry members Cliff Curtis and Peter Ryo.

6. *Communications with Ministers in relation to this event*

Minister Lee invited Annie Murray to attend via a phone call, followed by a calendar invitation. The NZFC does not hold any other communications with Ministers relating to this event.

We will be publishing this letter (with your personal information removed) on the NZFC website.

Please be aware that 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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