

20 April 2026

By email to: [REDACTED]

Kia ora [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2026/17A

Thank you for your further letter received on 2 April 2026 regarding the OIA response of 23 March 2026.

You have asked under what lawful authority any Act of Parliament has jurisdiction over a man who has not consented to such jurisdiction?

Statutes are binding on individuals in New Zealand in accordance with parliamentary sovereignty. Acts passed by Parliament and that have received Royal Assent apply to all people.

As explained in the letter of 23 March 2026, the requirement to enrol is a statutory requirement not a requirement based on consent or trust law principles.

As it is a statutory requirement, I cannot remove you from the roll or give undertakings that you will not receive correspondence required under the Electoral Act 1993.

In the interests of transparency, we release responses to Official Information Act requests every 3 months. We will publish this response with your personal details redacted.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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