

Government Inquiry into Operation Burnham Progress Report No 11

17 July 2020

Submission of the Report

Today, the Government Inquiry into Operation Burnham and related matters submitted its final report to the Attorney-General, Hon David Parker. Consequently, the Inquiry itself has now ceased. While the Inquiry has worked hard to create a report that can be publicly released, the Inquiry has no authority to release its report to anyone other than the Attorney-General.

The Inquiry would like to express its gratitude to core participants, Crown Agencies and others involved who have contributed to its work.

Minute No 23

The Inquiry has published Minute No 23 on the Inquiry's website. Minute No 23 outlines all final orders relating to:

- the draft report,
- individuals interviewed,
- vulnerable witnesses,
- Inquiry internal deliberations,
- any classified or confidential material.

These orders are necessary to protect personal or private information, confidentiality, and to protect New Zealand's security interests. The Inquiry made a number of interim and final orders under s 15(1)(a) of the Inquiries Act 2013 during the course of its work. Those orders that are not already spent continue in effect.

Minute No 24

The Inquiry has published Minute No 24 on the Inquiry's website. Minute No 24 outlines an amendment to Minute No 23 due to Crown submissions.

Minute No 24 amends the order of paragraph [35] of Minute No 23, to enable further efficiency in future OIA processes now that the Inquiry has finished.