UNDER

THE INQUIRIES ACT 2013

IN THE MATTER OF

A GOVERNMENT INQUIRY INTO OPERATION BURNHAM AND RELATED MATTERS

STATUTORY DECLARATION OF REBECCA LUCY KITTERIDGE REGARDING DISCLOSURE

10 February 2020

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- I, Rebecca Lucy Kitteridge of Wellington, solemnly and sincerely declare that:
- (U) I am the Director-General of Security. I am familiar with the subject matter of the Inquiry and confirm that I am authorised to make this declaration on behalf of the New Zealand Security Intelligence Service (NZSIS).
- 2. (U) I make this statutory declaration pursuant to the Inquiry's order for disclosure of information dated 24 January 2020 (the order), where the Inquiry directed NZSIS to disclose any information not already disclosed that they hold relating to certain specified individuals. That order also directed NZSIS to verify its compliance with the order by statutory declaration.
- 3. (U) On 31 January 2020, the Director-General of the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) and I wrote to the Inquiry (the 31 January letter). We advised the Inquiry of the actions GCSB and the New Zealand Security Intelligence Service had taken to comply with the Inquiry's order; that GCSB and NZSIS could not comply with the order by the initial deadline; and the actions GCSB and NZSIS would take as a matter of priority to comply with the Inquiry's order. Based on that letter, the Inquiry Secretariat confirmed the Inquiry granted GCSB and NZSIS an extension until 10 February 2020.
- 4. (U) NZSIS has now completed the actions it stated it would take as a matter of priority to comply with the Inquiry's order. As a result of those actions: NZSIS identified two documents in its holdings of possible relevance not previously disclosed to the Inquiry by NZSIS or other Crown agencies.
- 5. (U) An Inquiry staff member inspected the two documents identified by NZSIS on 7 February 2020, and advised that NZSIS did not need to produce any of those documents to the Inquiry.
- 6. (U) Accordingly, NZSIS has not identified any documents for production to the Inquiry.

(U) No further searches

7. (U) Considering the factors set out in the letter of the 31 January letter and the lack of documents identified through the searches conducted to date, NZSIS does not intend to conduct any further searches pursuant to the order.

(U) Declaration

- 8. (U) I arranged for searches to be undertaken of NZSIS repositories as described in the 31 January letter and above.
- 9. (U) To the best of my knowledge and belief this declaration is correct in all respects.

SWORN / AFFIRMED at Wellington)
this 10th day of February 2020
before me:

Cheyenne Conroy-Mosde Solicitor WELLINGTON Rebecca Lucy Kitteridge

Rebecca Kitteridge