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Tēnā koutou and welcome to the 5th edition of Kāpuia Pānui for 2023.

Agency updates on the RCOI Response Work Programme

1. Intelligence and Security Act Review released

The independent review of the Intelligence and Security Act 2017 was tabled in Parliament on 29 May. The review considered whether the legislation can be improved to ensure it continues to be clear and effective, as well as considering relevant matters that were raised by the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the terrorist attack. The review report makes 52 recommendations (33 main recommendations and 19 routine improvements). The recommendations in the Report can be grouped in the following themes:

- Protection of national security and New Zealand identity
- Intelligence collection, sharing, assessing, retention and disposal
- The warranting framework
- Oversight and transparency
- Routine technical amendments.

The review report can be found by clicking this [link](#). The review has been considered by the cross-party Intelligence and Security Committee and the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Chris Hipkins released a media release stating that the Government will now fully consider the report and await advice assessing the potential impact of the proposals, before taking decisions on the recommendations. The Prime Minister's media release can be read by clicking this [link](#).

2. DPMC release final National Security Long-term Insights Briefing (LTIB)

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's (DPMC) final Long-term Insights Briefing: 'Let's Talk About Our National Security' has been tabled in Parliament. The LTIB looks at engaging an increasingly diverse Aotearoa New Zealand on national security risks, challenges and opportunities and is designed to share information with the public and foster conversations about national security. The LTIB supports recommendation 15 of the Royal Commission of Inquiry to create opportunities to improve public understanding of national security issues. The LTIB was written by DPMC and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) and with other Security and Intelligence Board agencies. The LTIB will now be examined by a parliamentary select committee. You can read the final LTIB by clicking this [link](#).

In the community

3. Kāpuia member Bernie O'Donnell appointed to design group for survivor-led independent redress system for historic abuse in care

Kāpuia member Bernie O'Donnell has been appointed to the design group to develop a new independent, trauma-informed redress system to support genuine healing for people who have been abused or neglected in care. This follows the main recommendation from the Royal Commission of Inquiry's Abuse in Care interim redress report for a survivor-led independent redress system. You can read the Government's announcement about the appointment by clicking this [link](#).

4. Upcoming dates of significance

- **28 May to 3 June** is Samoan Language week.
- **30 May** is Multiple Sclerosis Day about building community connections, self-connections, and connections to quality care.
- **1 June** is Samoan Independence Day.
- **4 June** is Tongan Independence Day.
- **5 June** is King Charles III Official Birthday.
- **5 June** World Environment Day.
- **20 June** World Refugee Day.
- **20 June** Dragon Boat Festival – One of China's most prominent traditional festivals which commemorates the death of the Chinese poet Qu Yuan.
- **26 June to July 1** The Hajj (Pilgrimage) – On specific days of the Islamic month of Zu Al-Hijja, millions of Muslims from around the world congregate in the Prophet's birthplace of Mecca in Saudi Arabia.
- **16 June** Martyrdom (Shahidi) of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib – Guru Arjan Dev was the fifth of the ten Sikh Gurus and the first martyr of the Sikh faith. The day is observed by reading the Guru Granth Sahib.
- **28 June** Stonewall Riots – Anniversary to remember the riots against police brutality that started to affect the lives of the gay and lesbian communities.
- **28 June to 2 July** – Eid al adha – The feast of Sacrifice is the second and the larger of the two main holidays celebrated in Islam. Honours the willingness of Abraham to sacrifice his son Ishmael as an act of obedience to God's command.

Noho ora mai

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