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Broadcasting Standards Authority
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OIA Request: FSU listed as broadcaster in BSA complaints form

Good afternoon,

1. It has been brought to our attention that we, the Free Speech Union (FSU), appeared in the drop-down list of broadcasters on your online complaints form. We note that as of this morning, our name has been removed. We were surprised to see our organisation listed, given that we are a registered trade union, not a broadcaster.
2. Pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982, we request the following information:
 - a. Any records showing when, how, and on what basis the FSU was considered a broadcaster for the purposes of your complaints form.
 - b. The date on which the FSU was added to the list of broadcasters on the online complaints form, and the records (including authorisations or approvals) relating to that decision.
 - c. The date on which the FSU was removed from the list of broadcasters, and the records (including authorisations or approvals) relating to that decision.
 - d. Copies of all complaints made to the Broadcasting Standards Authority regarding the FSU, including the number of complaints received, the nature or subject of each complaint, and any associated details or outcomes.
 - e. All internal and external communications referring to the FSU.
3. For the avoidance of doubt, “communications” in this request includes (but is not limited to) documents, emails, meeting notes, reports, correspondence, agendas, minutes, policy documents, and communications with or from external advisers, researchers, and contractors, including those held in electronic form.

Yours faithfully,

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