

Handmaid's Tale Request (May 2021)

Request

I'm writing to ask whether the comic or "graphic novel" adaptation of The Handmaid's Tale has been classified in New Zealand? The illustrator is Renee Nault and it's based on the original novel by Margaret Atwood.

My questions are:

Has this book been submitted, assessed, categorised or reviewed by the NZ Classification Office or the Chief Censor?

Is there any internal correspondence relating to this novel?

This second question may fall under the OIA.

Thanks in advance for any help you can provide.

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Response

We confirmed the book hadn't been classified by our Office and hasn't been submitted to us.

With no internal correspondence relating to this graphic novel, the request was declined under section 18 (g) of the Official Information Act.