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Lance O'Riley

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Dear Lance O'Riley

Thank you for the response to my email inviting you to re-scope and clarify your Official Information Act request.

As per my last email to you, section 12(2) of the Act requires that the information requested shall be specified with due particularity. As of 16 March 2020, you have not sufficiently clarified your request with due particularity.

It is important to note that the Minister makes a number of decisions across many different areas relating to the Racing portfolio. Recently, a lot of these decisions have been surrounding the amendments to the Racing Bill which is reflected in the *Final Report on the Review of the New Zealand Racing Industry – The Messara Report (Messara Report)*.

For part one of your request, you may want to see the *Messara Report*. The report can be found on the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) website by searching 'Racing Policy' in the search box on the top right-hand corner of the homepage. Click on the Racing Policy item from the list.

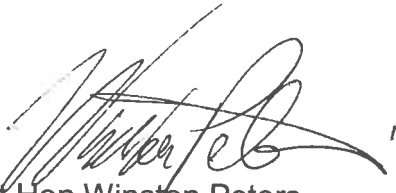
The clarification from you relating to parts two and three of your request will be difficult to meet without substantial collation. Your request is therefore being refused under 18(f) of the Act, which applies where the information cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

The proactive releases of Policy papers for the Racing portfolio on the Departments website. You can find these by typing 'Proactive Releases' in the search box on the homepage. Click on Proactive Releases from the list and you will find the Racing portfolio papers at the bottom of the page.

For part four of your request, you may want to see the Cabinet Manual on the homepage of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet website.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of this response by the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Winston Peters', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Rt Hon Winston Peters
Minister for Racing