## **Office of Hon Jenny Salesa**

MP for Manukau East

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Dear Mr Luke

Thank you for your email of 8 April 2020 asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"I have made an OIA request in the past and I would like to know if the report is ready for view given it has been 6 months since your initial reply to me. In your reply, you said the survey has been tableted to your office and report will be available in the near future. You can view my request and your reply in the following link, https://fyi.org.nz/request/10310-ethnicity-data-of-state-sector-boards-and-committees"

An initial survey to provide ethnicity data for state sector boards was completed. However, a low response rate to the survey resulted in data that could not be analysed. As such, no report was produced. Therefore, I am declining your request under section 18(e) of the Act, as the information does not exist.

Consequently, the Office of Ethnic Communities and the Ministry for Women undertook a joint stocktake on both ethnic representation and representation by women on state sector boards. This joint stocktake has allowed a more meaningful report to be developed.

I hope to be able to share this information shortly, and will ensure my office supplies this information to you when it is made publically available.

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman if you are unhappy with this decision. You can do so by contacting the Office of the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me.

Yours sincerely

Hon Jenny Salesa

**Minister for Ethnic Communities**