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File No: DOIA 1920-1571

## Dear Fee

Thank you for your email of 08 May 2020, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA):

Events in Hong Kong by private parties have been advertised as events as "endorsed / supported by Immigration New Zealand (Investor Attraction Team), who accompany NZIIP on travels and at seminars". See example here

http://www.nzcchk.com/CorporateGoldNewZealandInvestmentAndImmigrationPartners.html

- 1. For the years 2018 and 2019, what overseas events have the Immigration New Zealand Investor Attraction Team attended? (Please include date, party requesting attendance, location, function of INZ team member attending, reason for approving request to attend, and who is responsible for INZ costs)
- 2. Were any of these events conducted without attendance by a licensed immigration adviser? If yes please indicate the event details as per 1 above, and provide explanation of why this was accepted.
- 3. What is the criteria to determine if INZ staff will attend an event? Please advise any policy or guidelines.
- 4. How can a request for INZ to attend an event be formally made?

We contacted you by email on 12 May 2020 asking for information about your eligibility to make a request under the OIA, and followed up 15 May 2020. We sought your response by 18 May 2020. We did not hear from you. You have not demonstrated you are a person entitled to make a request under the OIA, and thus we are not obligated to respond under the OIA. We are closing the request.

We will of course consider and respond to any new request from you if you provide more information to confirm your eligibility to make a request. We note that both the Ombudsman (www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) and www.fyi.org.nz provide guidance on how you might do that.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact Aurora Tang, Investor Relationship Manager, Strategy, Engagement and Education, Immigration New Zealand at <u>Aurora.Tang@mbie.govt.nz</u>.

Yours sincerely

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