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Dear Shane Gibson

I refer to your official information request, clarified on 16 July 2020, relating to Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs).

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), pursuant to Section 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the normal 20 working day time limit.

MPI will reply to your request by no later than 24 September 2020 earlier if possible.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the time limit for responding to your request.

Yours sincerely

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Director, Government Services