



10 August 2020

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Our ref: OIA 82798

Dear Mr Gibson

**Official Information Act request: OIA requests**

Thank you for your email of 13 July 2020 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the titles, date received, and date sent of all requests the Ministry had received under the Act.

You further added: *To reduce the effort required by your organisation I am requesting records for the date range that the data is available in your OIA tracking system. For example if your OIA tracking system only holds two years of records then I am requesting data for those two years.*

On 17 July 2020, the Ministry contacted you requesting that you rescope your request as the almost 12,000 OIA items in our database going back to 2006 contained significant amounts of personal information. We gave you two options to consider.

Later that day you agreed to the second option to limit your request to the last five years of completed data. As the Ministry sought under section 15 of the Act to clarify and rescope of your request, the revised request became a new request for the purposes of the Act, requiring the Ministry to respond by 14 August 2020.

However, due to the amount of consultation required on the more than 4,000 items remaining, a response cannot be reasonably be made within the revised time limit. Accordingly, I am extending the time limit for response to this request by 10 working days under section 15A of the Act and the Ministry will respond to you by 28 August 2020.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to complain to the Ombudsman about the decision to extend the time for responding to your request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by emailing [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely

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