## **Hon Andrew Little**

Minister of Justice

Minister for Courts

Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations

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Minister Responsible for Pike River Re-entry



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Dear Mr Chen,

## Official Information Act request: Facial recognition technologies

Thank you for your email of 1 October 2020 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information regarding facial recognition technologies. Specifically, you requested:

In your capacity as Minister of Justice and Minister for Courts, I would like to request copies of all correspondence with government agencies or other Ministers about the use of facial recognition technologies, including but not limited to Clearview AI, NEC's NeoFace, and HP's facial recognition/fingerprinting technology, since 19 October 2017.

In my capacity as Minister of Justice and Minister for Courts, I have had no correspondence with government agencies or other Ministers about the use of facial recognition technologies. I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act on the grounds that the information requested does not exist.

If you are not satisfied with my response, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Andrew Little
Minister of Justice