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Ref: DOIA 1920-0999

## Dear Somayeh

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 14 November 2020 requesting the following:

In this context,

- 1. Why are certain applications being put for SAT assessment? Is it related to the country of the applicant coming originally from?
- 2.Do they have a timeframe in which applications are being processed?
- 3. Are applicants picked randomly or based on the directive from Immigration officer.

## Our response

You were advised on 18 November 2020 that your request is almost identical to another request where the response has been made available on the FYI website. You were provided with a link to that response so you could review the response and you were given the option of continuing with your request or withdrawing it. No response was received from that correspondence so I have continued to process your request.

Your request is being refused under s 18(d) of the OIA as the information is publically available. The response is available to you on the FYI website - here.

I trust you find the information helpful.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, please contact Matt Burden, Senior Business Advisor, Operations Support at Matt.Burden@mbie.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

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