



12 March 2021

Ref: DOIA 2021-1511

Christopher Auld

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Dear Christopher Auld

I refer to your email of 14 February 2021 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (the Ministry), requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I request the following information for the 6 month period 1 August 2020 to 1 February 2021;

- 1. The number of arrivals into MIQ facilities grouped by country of original departure to New Zealand.*
- 2. The number of persons testing positive for COVID-19 during their stay in an MIQ facility grouped by their country of original departure to New Zealand.*

I would appreciate receiving this information in a form that allows these values to be determined on a week-by-week basis. However, I am happy to receive that data as such temporal granularity, up to and including single per-country values for the whole 6 month period, as may be required to protect the privacy of natural persons under s9 of the Act.

As stated in our letter to you on 23 February 2021, part 2 your request has been partially transferred to the Ministry of Health.

I am writing to advise you that the Ministry will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be sent to you no later than 13 April 2021.

The reason for the extension is that consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot be made within the original time limit. We will provide a response sooner if possible.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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