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11 APR 2014

Dear Ms Drysdale

Thank you for your email of 14 March 2014 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

- *The number/ names and locations of supervised/ supportive accommodation providers for vulnerable pregnant women/ or mothers that have infants, who have an agreement with CYFS to provide this service where children are under CYFS care and protection.*

- *What is the proportion of women who come through these services per year over the last five years, on a yearly basis per region?*

- *What is the actual rate of babies that are uplifted from their mothers within the first 60 days of life, due to vulnerable circumstances?*

- *What proportion of these women who are identified as pregnant (or a new mother to a vulnerable infant) is housed in such a facility with their infant, compared to those that have their child removed from their care?*
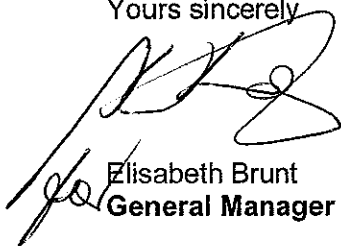
This letter is to advise you that the Ministry will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be with you no later than 23 May 2014.

The Ministry needs further time to consult with other parties on the release of the information you have requested. These other parties may be affected by the release of the information and I need to provide them with an opportunity to identify any prejudice that might arise from its release before I make a final decision. I will respond to you sooner if I am able to.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision to extend the time by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

> The Ombudsman
> Office of the Ombudsman
> PO Box 10-152
> WELLINGTON 6143

Yours sincerely

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