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Our ref: OIA 89511

Dear Mr Doran

## Official Information Act request: Criminal Records (Clean Slate) Act 2004

Thank you for your email of 19 July 2021 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information regarding the Criminal Records (Clean Slate) Act 2004. Specifically, you requested:

any information you are able to provide me with regarding any policy work which is underway concerning the Clean Slate Act 2004, along with any existing reports, emails, briefings etc to do with the Clean Sate Act.

The scope of your request was refined via email on 2 August 2021 to:

I only wish to receive key documents regarding the Clean Slate Act 2004, and any other important documents regarding policy work in the years 2020 and 2021.

I have interpreted your request for key documents to mean completed policy work.

I have identified four documents that are within scope of your request. Three documents are being withheld in full (including titles) under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act in order to maintain the constitutional conventions that protect confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials. A copy of the remaining document is enclosed. Sections of this document are being withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act.

I am satisfied that there are no other public interest considerations that render it desirable to make the information withheld under section 9 of the Act available.

If you are not satisfied with this response to your request, 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

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Encl: [Title withheld under s9(2)(f)(iv)]