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Dear Harold

## Official information request

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 10 September 2021, in which you requested copies of four reports issued by the Combined Threat Assessment Group (CTAG). On 7 October 2021 you were notified of an extension to the timeframe to make a decision on your request, until 15 October 2021, due to the consultations necessary to make a decision.

Please find copies of the reports attached.

Date	Title	Reference
4/03/2020	Threat Assessment: New Zealand Terrorism Threat Level remains at MEDIUM	99A-20-TA
20/11/2020	Threat Insight: Violent Extremist Ideologies Framework	20-229-TI
20/11/2020	Threat Insight: CTAG Glossary	20-230-TI
27/11/2020	Threat Insight: The New Zealand Terrorism Threat Environment	20-231-TI

Some information has been withheld, under the following grounds of the OIA:

- 6(a), where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand; and
- 6(b)(i), where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the
  entrusting of information to the Government of New Zealand on a basis of
  confidence by the Government of any other country or any agency of such a
  Government.

## **Terminology**

In November 2020, the NZSIS began using new terms to reflect a change in our language. The Threat Assessment from March 2020 (99A-20-TA) uses the old terminology, while the later reports use the new language. The change in terminology is covered in the Threat Insight Report (20-229-TI), but you will notice that what was previously referred to as "extreme right wing" would now be considered White Identity Extremism. What was

previously referred to as "Islamist extremism" would now be considered Faith Motviated Violent Extremism.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact <a href="mailto:oia.privacy@nzsis.govt.nz">oia.privacy@nzsis.govt.nz</a>.

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.

Yours sincerely

On behalf of Rebecca Kitteridge

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Pā Whakamarumaru

Director-General of Security