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Tēnā koe Daniel

OIA request 21/21 0245 Request for information relating to citizenship processing timeframes

Thank you for your Official Information Act (Act) request received by the Department of Internal Affairs (Department) on 20 September 2021.

You requested –

• Can you please provide the data into a table form with column names (Left to Right) (Note Please provide data for By grant applications only)

Month/Year (Oct 2020, Nov 2020 till Oct 2021), Application Received (Oct 2020, Nov 2020 till Oct 2021), Approved / Finished Applications for which month (example - in Oct 2020 case officers worked on June 2020 applications), Pending Applications (for each month), Currently Working on which month applications (Sept - Oct 2021) Number of Ceremonies Happened (Auckland, Aug 2020 -Oct 2021) Number of Planned ceremonies in future (Oct 2021- Dec 2021)

Can you please provide the data table from November 2020 to October 2021?

In response to your request, I can advise that pursuant to section 15(1)(b) of the Act, the Department has decided to provide you with the information you seek. However, we are still working to prepare the Information for release and will provide it as soon as practicable. We anticipate having the requested information to you no later than 5 November 2021.

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi

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