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Tēnā koe Felix

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 29 March 2022 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting the following information:

*I would like to request details under the OIA regarding the Bank Accounts Upon Release scheme.*

- 1. What are the types of ID provided and the total number for each ID type provided in this program?*
- 2. How do you decide what type of ID each prisoner gets?*
- 3. Who pays for the ID?*
- 4. How many prisoners applied for bank accounts, how many were successfully opened, and how many were rejected?*

Corrections needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 20 working days, pursuant to section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. Therefore, you can expect to receive a response to your request by 27 May 2022. If you no longer require this information, please let us know as soon as possible.

Please be advised that should you have any concerns regarding this response you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

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