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Mr Peter Sime

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Dear Mr Sime

### **Official Information Act Request**

On 15 August 2014 you made a request under the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) requesting copies of any file notes, internal correspondence or any other relevant documents in respect of OIA requests made to the NZSIS in the period July – August 2011. I interpreted your request then (as I do now) as relating to the OIA requests for information made by Mr Cameron Slater, the Hon Phil Goff and others, which subsequently became the subject of an Inquiry conducted by the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security. I have not, therefore, considered unrelated OIA requests that may have been made during the relevant period.

As you know, in my letter of 25 August 2014 I deferred a response to your request pending the outcome of the Inquiry.

You are probably aware that the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security has now reported her findings. I refer you to the Inspector-General's report, which may be found at [www.igis.govt.nz/investigation-reports/](http://www.igis.govt.nz/investigation-reports/).

The Inquiry traversed all the issues associated with the NZSIS's release of information in 2011, and the releasable documentation associated with the OIA request was reproduced in her report. Much of the information that you are now seeking is therefore publicly available and I therefore have good reason under the OIA not to provide it to you (see section 18(d) of the OIA). To the extent that information from the relevant documents was not published in the Inspector-General's report, I am continuing to withhold that information under section 6(a) [prejudice security].

For your information, I attach a table showing the relevant OIA requests that NZSIS received in July and August 2011. The table shows how many days it took NZSIS to respond to the various requests.

You have the right under the section 28 of the OIA to make a complaint to the Ombudsman and seek an investigation and review of my decision.

Yours sincerely



Rebecca Kitteridge  
Director of Security

Official Information Act requests relating to information which subsequently became the subject of an Inquiry conducted by the IGIS

Name	Date of request	Date request received	Response time (days)	Date of response
Cameron Slater – Whaleoil	26 July	26 July	7	2 Aug
Phil Goff – Leader of Opposition	30 July	30 July	2	1 Aug
News media	1 Aug	1 Aug	3	4 Aug
News media	4 Aug	4 Aug	1	5 Aug
News media	4 Aug	4 Aug	1	5 Aug
News media	3 Aug	4 Aug	1	5 Aug
News media	4 and 5 Aug	4 and 5 Aug	1	5 Aug
News media	4 Aug	4 Aug	1	5 Aug
News media	29 July	1 Aug	7	8 Aug
Private Person	5 Aug	10 Aug	2	12 Aug
News media	8 Aug	8 Aug	3	11 Aug
Private Person		8 Aug	4	12 Aug
Private Person	9 Aug	10 Aug	13	23 Aug
MP	9 Aug	10 Aug	6	16 Aug

Please note that the response time is not in “working days”