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Tēnā koe Scott

Official information request

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 20 May 2022 to the New Zealand Security Intelligence Service (NZSIS) seeking the following:

In the recently re-issued Ministerial Policy Statement – Publically available information, it is stated that:

“GCSB and NZSIS may collect large datasets which might include personal information relating to a number of individuals. GCSB and NZSIS must have a policy that provides guidance on the collection, use, retention and disposal of this type of information.”

I would like to request a copy of the Joint Policy Statement that provides the guidance referred to here.

You were advised on 17 June 2022 that the time limit for responding to your request had been extended to 1 August 2022 because the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request were such that a proper response could not reasonably be made within the original time limit.

Response to your request

The NZSIS policy *Data Retention and Destruction under the ISA* is in scope of your request. I am releasing a summary of this document to you, as allowed for under section 16(1)(e) of the OIA. Some information in the document has been withheld under section 6(a) of the OIA, as the release of this information would likely prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand, or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand.

Review

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact oa.privacy@nzsis.govt.nz.

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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Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Pā Whakamarumarū
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