



Minister for Economic Development
Minister of Forestry
Minister of Police
Minister for Oceans and Fisheries

Dear Canterbury Victim

Thank you for your further email of 24 January 2023 regarding your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request [Ref: OIA22-088and OIA23-137].

I can confirm that the information you have requested is not held by me and therefore I am refusing your request under section 18(g) of the Act, *“that the information requested is not held by the department or venture or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is either—*

- (i) *held by another department (for itself and for a departmental agency hosted by it or an interdepartmental executive board serviced by it) or interdepartmental venture or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority; or*
- (ii) *connected more closely with the functions of another department (for itself and for a departmental agency hosted by it or an interdepartmental executive board serviced by it) or interdepartmental venture or Minister of the Crown or organisation or of a local authority”*

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.

Sincerely,

Hon Stuart Nash
Minister for Economic Development