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Mr Liam Stoneley

By email: fyi-request-2415-32655ab4@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Stoneley

Response to OIA request

Thank you for your email regarding my response to your request under the Official Information Act (the Act).

Please accept my assurance that there was no intention to delay your response due to my office being closed on Wellington Anniversary Day. You will note I responded to your request seven working days after it was sent.

In refusing the fifth part of your request the advice I was provided, and accepted, in responding to your request was that no options existed (including those you suggest) which had a reasonable likelihood of addressing the substantial collation required to respond to your request. This advice took into account the volume of correspondence I receive which would have to be checked to accurately respond to your request, the work that would be required to properly assess each piece of correspondence and ascertain the outcome in cases where a meeting was sought, and the significant duties which my staff would be required to defer to undertake this work.

On this basis – having considered whether consultation with you would assist you to make the request in a form that would remove the reason for the refusal – I reached the conclusion that it would not, and therefore the appropriate course of action, in compliance with section 18B, was to refuse your request under section 18(f).

If you are still unhappy with my response you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review this response under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

Hon Amy Adams
Minister of Justice