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Ms Paora Moyle Pmoyle2@yahoo.nz

Dear Ms Moyle

On 10 February 2015 you emailed the Ministry requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, a series questions concerning the ethnicity of children and young people in care.

This letter is to advise you that the Ministry will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be with you no later than 2 April 2015.

The reason for the extension is that I need further time to consult with other parties on the release of the information you have requested. These other parties may be affected by the release of the information and I need to provide them with an opportunity to identify any prejudice that might arise from its release before I make a final decision.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our decision to extend the time by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
PO Box 10-152
WELLINGTON 6143

I will respond to you sooner if I am able to.

Yours sincerely

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