



24 June 2015

John Harpley
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File No: OIA 1436

Dear Mr Harpley,

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 22 May 2015 requesting the following information from Immigration New Zealand:

- *I am requesting a copy of the policies, principles, rules and guidelines covering interviews and exclusions for entry into New Zealand.*

Our response

Immigration Officers based at New Zealand's international borders are bound by immigration instructions when making a decision on whether to grant right of entry to passengers. The instructions they consider are Y3.5.1 and Y4.25 which can be found at Appendix 1 at the end of this letter.

You may also wish to refer to publicly available information such as the Immigration Act 2009: <http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2009/0051/latest/DLM1440303.html> and;

the Immigration New Zealand operations manual: <http://www.immigration.govt.nz/migrant/general/generalinformation/operationalmanual/>

Each interview has notes either handwritten or typed into an interview template as attached at Appendix 2.

Some information is being withheld in reliance on section 6(c) of the Act as the disclosure of that information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law.


You have the right to contest the decision to withhold information by seeking an investigation and review of that decision by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
P O Box 10-152
WELLINGTON



If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact Martin Prowse, Business Advisor, Business Support, Immigration New Zealand at martin.prowse@mbie.govt.nz or 04 896 5525.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John Ivil', with a stylized, cursive script.

John Ivil
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