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Tēnā koe A Williams

Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of 13 May 2024, requesting copies of all communication between the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) and Cyberark.com and beyondtrust.com between November 2022 and November 2023.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision on your request set out below.

One email chain was found between Beyondtrust.com and the Ministry during the time frame. This email chain is attached, named 20230522 RE_Beyondtrust follow up.

Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the Act as, if released, it would be likely to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. The greater public interest is in ensuring that the commercial position can be maintained.

Other information is redacted under section 9(2)(a) of the Act in order to protect the privacy of natural persons. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs any public interest in this information.

We found an additional 39 subscription emails sent from Cyberark.com and Beyondtrust.com sent to Ministry staff between November 2022 and November 2023. I have not included copies of these in the response, as I consider these to fall out of the scope of your request as they are not communications between the Ministry and the two named companies. Please advise if this was not the intent of your request.

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details removed, on the Ministry's website in due course. If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

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