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File No: OIA 1365

Dear Mr Harpley,

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 12 May 2015 requesting the following information from Immigration New Zealand:

- Are there performance targets, for entry refusals into New Zealand to be met, by Immigration New Zealand staff at Auckland International Airport
- As per the Auditor Generals report dated 2008/2009, have all Immigration New Zealand staff at Auckland International Airport signed their code of conduct and been trained in its use thereof
- When did it become policy for Immigration New Zealand to criminalize family members coming from overseas to stay with family, legitimately, that when asked during their interview if they would at anytime look after the young child in the family home at all, it is deemed to be work and therefore grounds for refusal of entry
- Have all the recommendations in the Auditor Generals Report 2009 been adopted by Immigration New Zealand. If not, which ones have not, and why not

Our response

Are there performance targets, for entry refusals into New Zealand to be met, by Immigration New Zealand staff at Auckland International Airport?

Immigration New Zealand staff at Auckland International Airport do not have volume performance targets.

As per the Auditor Generals report dated 2008/2009, have all Immigration New Zealand staff at Auckland International Airport signed their code of conduct and been trained in its use thereof?

All Immigration New Zealand staff at Auckland International Airport sign a Code of Conduct when they are appointed to positions and this document is renewed annually with frontline staff.

When did it become policy for Immigration New Zealand to criminalize family members coming from overseas to stay with family, legitimately, that when asked during their interview if they would at anytime look after the young child in the family home at all, it is deemed to be work and therefore grounds for refusal of entry?

No such policy exists. Foreign nationals travelling to New Zealand must meet entry requirements. If they do not meet those entry requirements, after consideration of the full circumstances, a foreign national may be refused entry.

Have all the recommendations in the Auditor Generals Report 2009 been adopted by Immigration New Zealand. If not, which ones have not, and why not?

Yes all the recommendations from the report have been adopted by Immigration New Zealand.

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

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