



OIA14-438

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Jill Latham
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Dear Jill Latham

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request of 13 May 2015 in regard to “the veterinary report relating to the transportation of 900 pregnant Awassi sheep exported to the demonstration farm in Saudi Arabia last year.”

MPI are unable to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Accordingly, the Ministry for Primary Industries has decided to extend the time limit for responding to your request pursuant to section 15A of the OIA. The Ministry will reply to your request by no later than 18 June 2015, earlier if possible.

The extension is required because consultations necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the normal 20 working day time limit.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the time limit for responding to your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'H. Pharo'.

Howard Pharo
Acting Director Animal & Animal Products