



9 July 2015

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Ref: OIA 1575

Dear Mr Harris,

I refer to your official information request dated 9 June 2015, to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, in which you request the following information under the Official Information Act:

- *All advice (including Cabinet papers, briefings, aide memoires, notes etc.) on these proposed regional research institutes. I am happy to exclude emails from this request.*

This letter is to notify you that the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment is extending the time available to answer your request by 20 working days. The Ministry's response will now be made on or before 13 August 2015.

The reason for the extension is:

- 15A (1)(b) Consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit (20 working days).

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
The Terrace
Wellington 6143

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

Yours sincerely

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