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Tēnā koe Charlie

**Official Information Act request relating to advice and correspondence relating to He Whenua Taurikura research centre**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 23 October 2024. You requested:

*“Dear Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet,*

*I request all advice provided to the Prime Minister and Hon Judith Collins on the decision to remove funding for He Whenua Taurikura research centre.*

*I also request all correspondence sent and received by the Department related to this decision.*

*Yours faithfully,  
Charlie McLean ”*

I have decided under section 15A of the Act to extend the time limits for deciding on your request by an additional 12 working days. Consequently, the extended due date for your response will be 9 December 2024. The extension is required because of the consultations needed to make a decision on your request. Despite the extension, a response will be sent to you as soon as possible.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Nāku noa, nā

Amy Teague  
**Manager, Ministerial Services**