



11 October 2016

Murray Heasley

(by email: fyi-request-3193-3baa23da@requests.fyi.org.nz)

File No: DOIA 1617-0347

Dear Mr Heasley,

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 13 September 2016 requesting the following information from Immigration New Zealand:

- *This is a request to update information on IANZ which has recently been sold to EDENZ.*

Your request has been interpreted as an update of your previous request dated 2 October 2015 relating to IANZ which asked for:

- *an update of the latest findings by your Ministry as they relate to this TEO and its current status.*

Our response

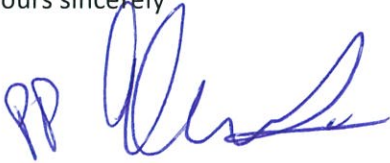
Please find the following information from the Immigration New Zealand (INZ) file relating to the International Academy of New Zealand (IANZ). This outlines INZ activity relating to IANZ, and INZ's findings relating to IANZ.

- February 2014 – Anonymous information suggests that IANZ was not recording student attendance correctly. 3 x site visits on 19 February, 25 February and 10 March did not find any issues.
- 15 May 2014 - INZ received informant information that the current Director Exzur Peralta was turning a blind eye to the number of hours that students were turning up to study at IANZ. INZ was informed that NZ Herald journalist Brian Rudman was going to run an article within the next few days. Site visit conducted on 16 May 2014 but did not identify any issues.
- 7 June 2014 – Site visit conducted at IANZ with Visa Services, Compliance and the New Zealand Qualifications Authority.
- 3 July 2014 – Following the site visit of 7 June 2014 letter sent to IANZ regarding concerns around attendance. 4 x letters sent by INZ Compliance to address various compliance issues namely absenteeism, reporting, pastoral care and concerns about the premises.
- 15 November 2014 – INZ Compliance revisited IANZ to confirm that IANZ had rectified INZ's previous concerns. No concerns identified. All previous concerns addressed by IANZ.

INZ was not involved in the recent NZQA investigation into IANZ which has been widely reported in the media. Our initial file remained open as an enquiry file during this time in case there was further action required by INZ, however the file is now closed. INZ has been involved in the closure process.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'NP' followed by a stylized name, likely Nicola Hogg.

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