



7 November 2016

Murray Heasley

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

File No: DOIA 1617-0467

Dear Mr Heasley,

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) received on 12 October 2016 requesting the following information from Immigration New Zealand:

- Given the now closure of IANZ and its forced sale to EDENZ to avoid deregistration and the catastrophic consequences to student stakeholders and the damage inflicted on the New Zealand education brand by the shenanigans of Exzur Peralta (covered extensively by TV3 and the journalist, Michael Morrah), it seems astonishing that the Peraltas were able to so effectively pull the wool over the eyes of INZ from May 2014. Indeed, had it not been for this single journalist, I am sure IANZ would still be carrying out its appalling fleecing of students as neither NZQA nor INZ seemed capable of stopping the Peraltas or protecting New Zealand society from their behaviour. May I now request a full account of Immigration records as they apply to Brendon Lloyd Tampus who acted as a tutor at IANZ in 2014 and 2015? May I also see the case notes taken at my interviews at INZ in 2014? Both of these requests I ask under OIA.*

Our response

The information relating to Brendon Lloyd Tampus that you have requested is withheld in reliance on section 9(2)(a) of the OIA to protect the privacy of natural persons.

The second part of your request relating to case notes from your interview in 2014 is being refused in reliance on section 18(e) of the OIA as the information does not exist. In accordance with section 18A(1) of the OIA I have considered whether fixing a charge under section 15 or extending the time limit under section 15A would enable your request to be granted, but it is my view that neither would do so.

Please find attached a copy of emails that were received from you and sent to you in relation to the IANZ investigation.

You have the right to contest the decision to withhold information by seeking an investigation and review of that decision by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
P O Box 10-152
WELLINGTON

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 'N. Hogg', written in a cursive style.

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