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Dear Mr Grainger

I refer to your official information request, dated 30 July 2012, in which you have requested:

"All documents related to my request, including *all* emails, draft responses and other such related correspondence."

I apologise for the delay in replying to your request. Attached are copies of the Information that is covered by your request. Where information has been withheld, withholding provisions under the Official Information Act 1982, including a brief description of what the provisions relate to, are listed below:

- Section 6(a)—which relates to prejudice to the security or defence of New Zealand or the International relations of the New Zealand Government
- Section 6(c)—which relates to prejudice to the maintenance of the law
- Section 9(2)(a)— which relates to the privacy of natural persons
- Section 9(2)(b)(I)—which relates to unreasonable prejudice to the commercial position of a person
- Section 9(2)(f)(iv)—which relates to the constitutional conventions which
 protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers or officials

Some sections in the attached documents have fallen outside the scope of your request and therefore have not been included.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, you are encouraged to contact Andrew Lockhart, National Manager Refugee and Protection Unit on Tel. 09 918 4422.

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 Ombudsmen
P O Box 10-152
WELLINGTON

Yours sincerely

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