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Dear dukeofurl

Thank you for your email dated 8 April 2016 addressed to the Minister of Corrections, Hon Judith Collins requesting information relating to Members of Parliament (MP) visits to New Zealand prisons pursuant to section 161 of the Corrections Act 2004. Your request has been transferred to the Department of Corrections for response.

The Department needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 20 working days, pursuant to section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as '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'. Therefore, you can expect to receive a response to your request by 10 June 2016. If you no longer require this information please let us know as soon as possible.

Please be advised that should you have any concerns regarding this extension you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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