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Dear Mr Lamusse

Thank you for your email dated 22 June 2016, requesting information about the Department's support of transgender prisoners. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

The 'programme of work' you refer to in your initial request is ongoing and yet to be finalised. As such, it is subject to constant review, change and comments as it progresses. Therefore, this part of your request is declined under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the OIA, to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any department or organisation in the course of their duty.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Department. Alternatively you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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