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Dear Jacob Middleton

EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 6 September 2016 relating to fishing in the Ross Sea.

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Your request requires a search through a large quantity of information. Your request also requires consultation for the release of the information. As such, a proper response cannot be made within the normal 20 working day timeframe. MPI will reply to your request by no later than 4 November 2016, earlier if possible.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the time limit for responding to your request.

Yours sincerely

Grant Bryden

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