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Dear Donna Wynd

Thank you for your correspondence received on 23 September 2016 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- Copies of all advice received pertaining to the recently announced "National Strategy to reduce the risk and harm of dog attacks in New Zealand"
- Copies of all evidence that has been presented to you with respect to the measures outlined in the "National Strategy to reduce the risk and harm of dog attacks in New Zealand"

As you were advised on 14 October 2016, it was necessary to extend the timeframe for a response to your request to 4 November 2016, due to the volume of information to be reviewed.

The information requested is enclosed, together with a schedule of the documents considered to fall within the scope of your request (**Appendix A**). Any information withheld under the provisions of the Act is identified in the schedule of documents and in the enclosed documents. By way of context, I can advise that most of the information withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) relates to Cabinet policy decisions yet to be made.

Please note that full versions of the Cabinet papers and related documents will be released on the Department of Internal Affairs' website at www.dia.govt.nz/Resource-material-Dog-Control-Index later this year.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Act, to seek an investigation and review of my decision by an Ombudsman. The contact address is: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely

Hon Louise Upston
Associate Minister of Local Government