



File No. DOIA 1617-0395

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Dear Beryl

I refer to your letter of 26 September 2016, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"...how many times MBIE officials have met with the New Zealand Property Investors Federation and I further request any meeting agendas, meeting notes, email correspondence, or any other materials produced before, during, or after such meetings."

As you are aware, on 6 October 2016 we wrote to you requesting that you reconsider and narrow the scope of your request as the breadth of your submitted request would require extensive research in order to provide a response.

In the absence of a response from you, we have progressed our enquires in relation to any meetings between MBIE and the New Zealand Property Investors Federation in the 12 months leading up to the date of your request, in order to provide a partial response. I am writing to notify you that the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (the Ministry) is extending the timeframe for its response to that part of your request under section 15A(1)(a) of the Act, as the the request is for a large quantity of official information or necessitates a search through a large quantity of information, and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the department.

In terms of the remainder of your request, it is likely that the Ministry will refuse your request under section 18(f) of the Official Information Act, that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research, unless you can narrow your request. The Ministry invites you to narrow or clarify your request.

The Ministry will now respond to your request on, if not before, 22 November 2016, which is an extension of 20 working days.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my decision by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely



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