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Dear Stephanie Hill

Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) information request

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (Act) received by the Department of Internal Affairs (Department) on 19 October 2016.

You requested:

“Information about Yvonne Mexted of Wellington”

Thank you for your time on the phone on 25 October 2016, in which you clarified that you had no further information in regards to Yvonne Mexted except her approximate age to be 70 years old.

The Department has decided to decline your request under section 9(2)(a) of the Act for the protection of privacy of natural persons. We would, however, like to provide you with further information to assist your search as outlined below.

An alternative to finding the information you seek is through an Index Search for Births, Deaths and Marriages records. There are costs involved for the search and any copies of records ordered. You can find more information about index searches online at <https://www.govt.nz/browse/history-culture-and-heritage/search-historical-records/help-with-searching-historical-records/>

Our staff in Births, Deaths and Marriages on 0800 22 52 52 or bdmonline@dia.govt.nz can provide you with further information.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

Office of the Ombudsman,
PO Box 10-152,
Wellington 6143

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Burke', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Peter Burke
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