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Ref: PMO 148-2016

Dear Gary Stephenson

Official Information Act Request Relating to Protection of Pets under the Ministry of Primary Industry's Rabbit Eradication Efforts

I refer to your Official Information Act request received on 25 October 2016 which asked: *"given that a companion animal can be a pet cat, dog, rabbit, parrot.....Can the Prime Minister give me the same reassurance that my pet rabbits will be as safe as a house under the Ministry of Primary Industries efforts to eradicate feral rabbits. If not – why not and what is the difference?"*

Although you have asked for reassurance from the Prime Minister, the information requested appears to be more closely connected to the functions and responsibilities of the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI). Accordingly, this request has been transferred to MPI under section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982.

Yours sincerely



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