



OIA17-0193

8 MAY 2017

Dave Hewitt
Care of FYI website

Dear Dave Hewitt

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 5 April 2017 relating to copies of the Animal Health Certificate for a dog transported from Auckland to London on 27 July 2015.

The following information is released to you under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

An attempt was made to clarify your request as additional information is necessary to confirm the documentation sought. With the information you provided, MPI has determined the released animal health certificate is most likely associated with the consignment you have referred.

Some personal details have been withheld pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the OIA to protect the privacy of natural persons. The name and identification number of the dog is also withheld to protect the privacy of the owners.

MPI is satisfied that in the circumstances of this case, the withholding of the information is not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable in the public interest to make the information available. You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to withhold information.

In response to your comment regarding crate size, MPI verifies containers against The International Air Transport Association (IATA) Live Animal Regulation. More information on this worldwide standard can be found at <http://www.iata.org/whatwedo/cargo/live-animals/Pages/index.aspx>.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'C. Kebbell'.

Chris Kebbell
Director Verification Service