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Dear Ms Cox

On 5 June 2017 you emailed the Ministry requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

- What is the official role of the Kaitiaki Teams in Ministry for Vulnerable Children Oranga Tamariki?
- How many teams are there nationally, and how many people are on each team? Please provide this information for over the last five years (including when these groups were under Child, Youth and Family).
- Has there ever been a similar team for Pacific people within the Ministry for Vulnerable Children Oranga Tamariki or Child, Youth and Family? Please provide their official role if so. If they no longer exist, please provide any documents or communications about why they were disbanded.

This letter is to advise you that the Ministry has received your request, however requires more time to respond to this request. In accordance with section 15(1) and 15A of the Official Information Act, the Ministry's decision will be with you no later than 31 July 2017.

The reason for the extension is that it will take longer than the 20 working day time limit to collate the material you have requested and assess whether any interest might be prejudiced by its release.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact OIA Requests@mvcot.govt.nz

I will respond to you sooner if I am able to.

Yours sincerely

Pepi Batsos

**General Manager Organisational Support**