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Ti Lamusse <u>fyi-request-6407-5c327415@requests.fyi.org.nz</u>

Dear Ti Lamusse

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 14 August 2017, regarding prisoner unemployment and the Department evidence for the Waitangi Tribunal inquiry into Māori reoffending rates.

The Department needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 20 working days, pursuant to section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit. Therefore, you can expect to receive a response to your request by 9 October 2017. If you no longer require this information please let us know as soon as possible.

Please be advised that should you have any concerns regarding this extension you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

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ours sincerely

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