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Robert Newcombe
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Ref: PMO OIA 001-2018

Dear Robert Newcombe

Official Information Act request relating to Review of Section 70, Social Security Act 1964

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 29 December 2017. You requested:

"I along with others need to know whether you regard Section 70 as morally fair and in line with human rights and whether the 90,000 of us elderly affected by Section 70 have no right to receive these pensions that have been paid for out of earnings along with contributions from employers.

Under OIA could you please supply a copy of the work you did on this proven injustice along with your colleague Ruth Dyson."

As your request stands, I am unable to determine what information it is you are seeking. Accordingly, I am unable to address your request under the Act as it lacks due particularity (section 12(2) of the Act refers). I invite you to be more specific about what information it is you are asking for, or provide the time period the information you are requesting was generated in.

The Social Security Act 1964 falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Social Development and is administered by the Ministry of Social Development. If you have queries or comments about this Act you may wish to address these directly to that Minister or Ministry.

For completeness, I note that you may write to the Ombudsman about this response. You can contact the Ombudsman online via the Ombudsman website, by email (info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143. Further details can be found on the Ombudsman website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Munro'.

Mike Munro
Chief of Staff, Office of the Prime Minister