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Dear Mr Andrews

Thank you for your email of 26 February 2018, requesting unredacted versions of the Inspectorate reports on Auckland Prison and Manawatu Prison. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

In the interest of transparency and public accountability, the Office of the Inspectorate releases a public copy of all reports into scheduled prison inspections.

When releasing Inspectorate reports, Corrections is required to balance the privacy interests of individuals whose personal information is involved, against public interest. For this reason, you will notice that some sections of the reports have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the OIA, to protect the privacy of natural persons including that of deceased natural persons. Other sections of the report contain information which would be likely to compromise Corrections' ability to uphold the maintenance of the law, and have therefore been withheld under section 6(c) of the OIA.

Your request for unredacted versions of the Inspectorate reports on Auckland Prison and Manawatu Prison is therefore declined under sections 9(2)(a) and 6(c) of the OIA.

I hope this information is helpful. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Department. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman, the contact details for which are, Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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