

16 October 2018

Donna Tobin

By email: fyi-request-8799-665a561f@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Ms Tobin

Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of 2 October 2018 requesting, under the Official Information Act (the Act), information about immigration matters in relation to people extradited from New Zealand to Australia.

Specifically, you have asked for:

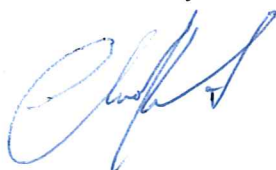
Any information and communications held by the Ministry or Minister as to the reasons why all extraditees have been returned to New Zealand after being refused entry into the Australia the requesting country. Information regarding why the person extradited on 10/3/2017 was treated differently.

Information as to what is being done by the New Zealand government to resolve the matters, including any proposals by the NZ government to allow Australia to place extradited people in Detention with no rights of appeals, be subject to acknowledged torture and have their human rights and access to services, fair trials and resources undermined?

As your request is about matters to do with the laws and policies of another country, it is more closely connected to the functions of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Consequently, we are transferring your request to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade pursuant to section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Act, to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review our decision to transfer your request.

Yours sincerely



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