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Dear Alex

Your Official Information Act request OIA1819-0431

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, which was received by the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) on 14 January 2019.

You have requested:

- 1. whether your agency has ever employed ZX Security Ltd, to provide training in social media or open source intelligence. For the avoidance of doubt, I am not interested in any work done by them on network security or penetration testing.*
- 2. If so, all information relating to, or provided by, ZX Security Ltd in relation to the above.*

The Department is extending the time available to respond to your request by 20 working days, under both sections 15A(1)(a) and 15A(1)(b) of the Act. The extension is on the basis your request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information, and consultations in order to make a decision, which cannot reasonably be completed within the original time limit.

The Department's response will be provided as soon as practicable and by no later than 14 March 2019.

If you have any feedback or questions about this extension, please contact us at OIA@dia.govt.nz to discuss further.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this extension. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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