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Ref: PMO 2020-086

Dear William Francis

### Official Information Act request relating to Department of Technology

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 7 May 2020. You requested:

*"I refer to the following (et al):*

*Health Information Privacy Code*

*Health Information Security Framework*

*New Zealand Information Security Manual*

*Privacy Act 1993*

*Privacy Bill*

*Protective Security Requirements*

*Voluntary Cyber Security Standards for Industrial Control Systems v.1.0*  
*<https://www.digital.govt.nz/standards-and-guidance/>*

*Could you please outline whether your government and/or Parliament has considered and/or created plans or initiatives to institute a new dedicated digital/technology focused agency that ensures state sector agencies comply with the above documents, frameworks, guidelines, and standards via modernisation of these documents, and by carrying out independent and regular technology and information systems audits?*

*If so, could you please provide details as suitable?*

*If no such initiative is yet in place, could you please detail your personal viewpoint on the creation of such an agency?*

*For example, this agency could be named:*

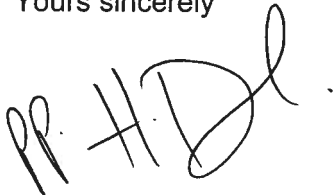
*New Zealand Technology Agency; or*

*New Zealand Compliance Agency."*

I believe that the information you have requested is more closely connected to the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Government Digital Services, Hon Kris Faafoi. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act to transfer your request to the Hon Kris Faafoi.

Hon Kris Faafoi has the usual time limits under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Raj Nahna', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Raj Nahna  
**Chief of Staff**