



24 July 2020

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Ref: DOIA 1920-1812

Dear John Luke,

Thank you for your email of 26 June 2020 requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA), the following information:

I would like to know since the new criteria for the essential worker exemption - "other critical worker category" was issued on June 12, how many has applied under this other critical worker' category and how many you have declined and how many you have approved. What is the processing time for such exemption.

I am writing to advise you that the Ministry will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be with you no later than 7 August 2020.

The reason for the extension relies on s15A(1)(b) of the OIA – consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot be made within the original time limit.

We will respond to your request sooner if we are able

Yours sincerely,

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