

13 June 2014

Jay Maxwell  
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Dear Mr Maxwell

**Request under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your email of 11 June 2014 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- *all advice on whether people who default on their student loans shouldn't have their passports renewed. Especially given any changes under the Student Loan Scheme Amendment Act 2014;*
- *any information pertaining to freedom of movement, potential statelessness or potential illegal immigration statuses of NZ citizens refused passport renewal in other nations;*
- *any policy changes since your OIA reply here: <https://fyi.org.nz/request/898-advice-on-refusal-to-renew-passports-of-student-loan-defaulters>;*
- *in the event that any documents are withheld, the dates and titles of the documents.*

I understand that your request relates to reported comments in 2013 by Hon Peter Dunne, as Minister of Revenue, in respect of student loan defaulters. The information you have requested is more closely connected to the functions of the Inland Revenue Department (IRD). The IRD is therefore better placed to provide a response to your request.

I have transferred your request to the IRD, under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act. A copy of this letter, together with a copy of your request, has been referred to the IRD for attention. The contact person is Christina Goodall, who can be contacted at MinisterialServices@ird.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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Acting Director Policy

