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## Tēnā koe Connor

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 31 March 2023 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting the following information:

Please supply all gear correctional officer carry on them such as handcuffs, panic button, mace etc. Please also include other things they are able to carry or certain ranks can carry. Please also attach photos for each of the items.

Please supply a list of all tactical gear corrections have such as cell buster, riot shields, body armour etc. also attach photos for these.

Work is underway to collate this information, however more time will be required to put together the complete list you have requested, with photographs. We will also need to undertaken consultation with multiple business groups to make decisions on releasing the information to you.

Accordingly, Corrections needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 15 working days, pursuant to:

- section 15A(1)(a) of the OIA, as the request is for a large quantity of official information or necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the department, and
- section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

Therefore, you can expect to receive a response to your request by 24 May 2023. If you no longer require this information please let us know as soon as possible.

Please be advised that should you have any concerns regarding this response you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi

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