

OIAD-3014

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## Tēnā koe John

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 request to the Department of Conservation, received on 09 May 2023, in which you asked for:

Thank you for your previous reply, -OIAD 2438 Response Luke May I ask how is the progress of this appointment round goes. When you expect to conclude the appointment process.

I have decided to withhold most the information you are seeking under the following section of the Official Information Act 1982:

 advice still under consideration, section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act 1982 and determined there are no public interests which outweigh the grounds for withholding.

However, I can advise that we expect the process will be completed by mid-July 2023.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and enclosed documents may be published on the Department of Conservation's website.

Nāku noa, nā

Lucy Alcock Director, Governance and Government Services Department of Conservation *Te Papa Atawhai*