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Tēnā koe Felix

Thank you for your email of 11 March 2024 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting information about what information was shared with the New Zealand Bankers Association (NZBA) regarding Corrections Bank Accounts Upon Release (BAUR) and the progress of other banks adopting this programme. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested:

1. *what was shared with members of NZBA*
2. *what is the progress with other banks also adopting this process*

Corrections needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 20 working days, pursuant to 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 9 May 2024. 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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