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Tēnā koe C Bennett

Thank you for your correspondence of 15 March 2024 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following:

- All correspondence between Immigration New Zealand and NZ Ethical Employers
- All correspondence between Immigration New Zealand and Tanya Pouwhare
- All correspondence between Immigration New Zealand and Mike Chapman
- Dates and times of meetings between Immigration New Zealand and NZ Ethical Employers, if any occurred
- Minutes and notes from meetings between Immigration New Zealand and NZ Ethical Employers, if any meetings occurred.

For avoidance of doubt, 'correspondence' refers to letters, emails, texts, whatsapp messages, and phone calls.

The time period for this request is 01 October 2023 to 15 March 2024.

I am writing to advise you that MBIE has decided to extend the period of time available to answer your request under section 15A(1)(a) of the Act, as the request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and further consultation is required to make a decision on your request. As such, a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

We will now convey a decision on your request on or before 24 May 2024.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, or if you require any further assistance, please contact inzoias@mbie.govt.nz

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to extend the time limit. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

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