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Tēnā koe Caleb

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 19 May 2024 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting the following information:

- 1. The total number of guided releases conducted at each prison over the past 6 months.*
- 2. If guided releases are not occurring, please provide an explanation for their suspension at each site.*
- 3. When are guided releases expected to resume at each site?*
- 4. The number of staff employed solely to conduct guided releases at each site.*

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 16 July 2024. If you no longer require this information, please let us know as soon as possible.

I hope this information is helpful. 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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