

# Hon Andrew Hoggard

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Barry Garrick  
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Dear Barry Garrick,

Thank you for your email of 7 August 2024 requesting information relating to livestock exports by sea. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

On 2 October 2024, I responded to the first part of your request and advised that I would respond to the second part of your request by 31 October 2024.

You requested the following:

*any correspondence to and from the Minister's office with stakeholder groups on this decision.*

Please find the relevant correspondence included with this letter as Appendix One.

Three of the attachments from the SPCA are publicly available through the following links:

- <https://www.sPCA.nz/downloads/pdf/assets/743546/1/Proposed+changes+to+ban+live+exports+under+the+AWA+%E2%80%93+MPI.pdf>.
- <https://www.sPCA.nz/images/assets/669157/1/final%20policy%20brief%20-%20chained%20dogs.pdf>.
- <https://www.sPCA.nz/images/assets/746268/1/national%20cat%20legislation%20-%20policy%20brief.pdf>.

Some information has been withheld pursuant to section 9(2)(a) of the OIA – *to protect the privacy of natural persons*. I am satisfied that, in the circumstances of this case, the withholding of the information is not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable in the public interest to make the information available.

You are advised of your right to raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. You can contact the Ombudsman at [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Hoggard', with a long, sweeping flourish extending upwards and to the right.

Hon Andrew Hoggard  
**Associate Minister of Agriculture (Animal Welfare, Skills)**