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Ref: DOIA 1617-1116

Dear Mr Johnston

Thank you for your email of 17 March 2017 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

*Can you please provide any research documents you have, where the availability (or lack thereof) of cannabis in New Zealand (recreational or medical), is a cited as a reason someone leaves New Zealand.*

I apologise for the delay in responding to you. We are declining your request under section (18)(e) of the OIA, as the information requested does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of our response by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman  
Office of the Ombudsman  
PO Box 10-152  
Wellington 6143

For further queries on this request please contact us via email at [oiia@mbie.govt.nz](mailto:oiia@mbie.govt.nz)

Yours sincerely

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