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Dear Mr Carter

Thank you for your email dated 8 August 2017 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (the Ministry) for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

Subject: Official Information request - FCV's investigated by MBIE. We request the following information:

1. *A list of all FCVs fishing in NZ waters in 2014, 2015, and 2016.*
2. *How many of those have or are being investigated by the (MBIE) Labour Inspectorate, since 2015.*
3. *Names of vessels investigated.*
4. *How many were involved in the payment of the \$800,000 in back paid wages mentioned by MBIE (DoL's) Stu Lumsden on Radio NZ.*
5. *The total amount of back wages paid by each vessel.*
6. *Number of Japan Tuna Co vessels fishing in NZ waters in 2015/2016.*
7. *How many days they spent fishing each year.*
8. *Whether the MBIE (Labour Inspectorate) was investigating wages of other Japan Tuna Co vessels. If not why not?*
9. *Whether any investigation and or action has been taken against any other Japan Tuna Co vessels, and if what happened. We know one did a runner and MBIE couldn't find anyone to serve the papers on.*

I am writing to advise you that the Ministry will provide a response but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be with you no later than 22 September 2017. The reason for the extension is that consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot be made within the original time limit.

May I remind you that this extension does not include parts one, six and seven of your request, which we advised you on 15 August 2017 had been transferred to the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) to respond to you directly.

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

Yours sincerely

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