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Sharee

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Ref: PMO 092-2017

Dear Sharee

Official Information Act request relating to New Zealand Police and drug testing

I refer to your Official Information Act request received on 5 September 2017 which asked: *"does national have any steps that are going to be taken to have at least some kind of drug testing in the nz police force."*

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To the extent your request relates to drug testing in the NZ Police force, the information you have requested appears to be more closely connected to the responsibilities and functions of New Zealand Police. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14 of the Act to transfer your request to New Zealand Police.

Yours sincerely

Wayne Eagleson
Chief of Staff