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Our ref: OIA 66519

Dear Yu Le Kong-Lim

Official Information Act request – surveillance

Thank you for your email of 20 April 2018 in which you requested, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information on whether the Ministry has cooperated with Thompson and Clark, or any other non-public entity, to undertake joint intelligence activities relating to People Against Prisons Aotearoa (formerly known as No Pride in Prisons). You also requested information relating to whether the SIS or GCSB is providing the Ministry with advice or assistance on the activities of People Against Prisons Aotearoa and/or its members.

The Ministry has not cooperated with Thompson and Clark or any other non-public entity to undertake surveillance or similar activities on any group, including People Against Prisons Aotearoa. The SIS or GCSB has not provided, and is not providing, advice or assistance to the Ministry in relation to activities of People Against Prisons Aotearoa or its members.

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under s28(3) of the Act if you are not satisfied with my response to your request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely



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