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Dear Biren

Thank you for your email of 20 June 2018 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

*Could you please provide number of current licensed immigration advisers categorized by ethnicity and their Immigration status.*

As at 12 June 2018, there were 1,073 Licensed Immigration Advisers. The Immigration Advisers Authority does not hold a list of current Licensed Immigration Advisers categorised by ethnicity and immigration status.

MBIE does not hold information on the ethnicity of Licenced Immigration Advisers. I am therefore declining your request for this information under section 18(g) of the Act as the information requested is not held by MBIE. I do not believe that this information is held by another agency.

In order to provide information on the immigration status of all current licensed immigration advisers, MBIE would require substantial research and collation. MBIE would need to complete a manual process of researching each individual adviser's immigration status and then collating this information into categories. I am declining your request for this information under section 18(f) of the Act as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial research and collation.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone: 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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