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Ref: DOIA 1819-1031

Nick Young  
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Dear Nick Young

Thank you for your email of 11 January 2019 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

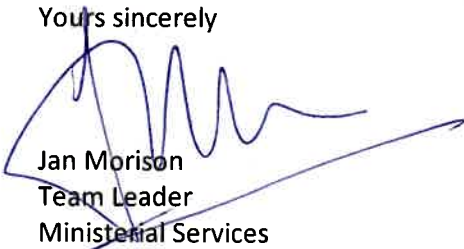
1. *A copy of MBIE's policy on the use of social media in investigations, and if this varies by business group or branch, please supply a copy of the policy for each business group or branch which has one.*
2. *A breakdown of the number of staff who have received social media training by business group and branch, along with the reason for such training.*
3. *Whether private and / or "friends only" information is being harvested, what that information is, and whether warrants are sought for doing so.*

I am writing to advise you that the Ministry will provide a response to your request, but needs to extend the time available to answer your request. The Ministry's response will be sent to you no later than 13 March 2019.

The reason for the extension is that consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot be made within the original time limit.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. 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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