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Dear Mr Cleveland

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 2 March 2021, in which you ask:

... how Kainga Ora defines 'permanent member of household'. Does this include children in 50/50 care?

Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities relies on the Ministry of Social Development (MSD), which manages the Housing Register, to assess eligibility for public housing. Any definition of a household member would have to meet MSD's criteria, which includes children in 50/50 care. Questions about eligibility for public housing and how it is determined are best directed to MSD.

I am therefore declining your request under section 18(g) of the OIA as Kāinga Ora does not hold the information you are requesting.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of my decision on your OIA request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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