



27 January 2023

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Ref: OIA-2022/23-0410

Dear P Taylor

Official Information Act request relating to communications with *The Disinformation Project*

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 9 December 2022. You requested:

" 1. In a document from a recent Official Information Act response from the DPMC, the DPMC states: "In the last month, DPMC contracted The Disinformation Project, who are now separate from Te Pūnaha Matatini, for two landscape reports and one deep dive report on a topic of choice."

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2. In accordance with the Official Information Act 1982, I would like to request all communications, including but not limited to SMS, emails, and/or Signal messages, between The Disinformation Project and any official of the DPMC, that are associated with The Disinformation Project being commissioned to undertake the work for the two landscape reports and the one deep dive report mentioned above."

I have decided to extend the time limit for deciding on your request, in accordance with section 15A of the Act, by an additional 21 working days. Consequently, the extended due date for your response will be 28 February 2023. The extension is required because time was needed to assess a large amount of information for relevance to your request. Having now identified relevant communications, we need to complete consultations. Despite the extension, we will send you a response as soon as possible.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

Amy Teague
Manager, Ministerial Services