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Alan Shaw FYI Website

Dear Alan Shaw

I refer to your official information request on 30 May 2015 relating to "all documentation relating to the decision to export sheep to Mr Hmood Al Ali Khalaf (Saudi Arabia) and all follow up reports as to the health of the sheep and their lambs upon once (sic) in Saudi Arabia."

Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) has decided that your request for this information will be granted, subject to the redaction of certain information. The information you have requested is currently being processed to enable its release, and will be provided to you by 31 July 2015, or earlier of possible.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) is also releasing a range of information that is relevant to your request which is held by both MFAT and MPI. The material MPI is releasing to you represents the documents held by MPI which are not also held by MFAT. MFAT will contact you directly regarding the release of this material.

Upon receiving the information, you have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of the decision to withhold information within your request.

Yours sincerely

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