



22 August 2022

Tēnā koe

On 12 July 2022, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- *All briefings, reports, advice or aide memoires prepared in relation to pressure on motels/emergency housing providers once the borders fully re-open to international tourists. This should include any advice/plans/recommendations to deal with expected strain on the system. Please include entire documents, not just the parts deemed in scope.*

In response to your request, please find the following document identified as in scope of your request attached:

- REP/22/4/298 - Report - *Update on emergency housing suppliers*, dated 5 May 2022

Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act as it is under active consideration. The release of this information is likely to prejudice the ability of government to consider advice and the wider public interest of effective government would not be served.

You will note that some information has been deemed to be 'out of scope' of your request, as this information is related to the names of Ministry staff who are below tier 4 and/or who are not decision-makers.

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and

- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter and attachments on the Ministry's website. Your personal details will be deleted, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact [OIA\\_Requests@msd.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or 0800 802 602.

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Ngā mihi nui

  
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