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I refer to your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 13 March 2019 to the Ministry of Justice. Your request regarding parts 1, 2 and 3 were transferred to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) on 27 March 2019 and part 4 was transferred on 15 April 2019.

In particular, item 1 of your original request, set out below, was transferred to MFAT as the Ministry of Justice did not hold this information:

"...The Ministry of Justice recently informed key stakeholders by email of the opportunity to take part in targeted feedback on the recommendations from NZ's 3rd Universal Periodic Review (UPR) at the Human Rights Council in Geneva.

The website of the Ministry of Justice included this statement in the overview section: "The Ministry of Justice would like to hear your feedback on the recommendations from New Zealand's third Universal Periodic Review (UPR) at the Human Rights Council in Geneva. We have informed key stakeholders by emailing out the link to this survey."

Please provide:

- 1) The list of stakeholders that were emailed to advise them of the opportunity to take part in this feedback process; including name, title and organisation (if applicable).*
- 2) The dates on which they were emailed this information and a copy of these emails (unless they were all provided with the same email, in which case; please provide one copy).*
- 3) The reasoning or selection process for stakeholders. i.e. they made a submission to the national report..."*
- 4) Copies of all correspondence (regarding the UPR) with these stakeholders from the office of Hon Andrew Little from 1 August 2018 until present.*

The Ministry of Justice conducted targeted stakeholder engagement to support the Government's consideration of the recommendations received by New Zealand at our 3rd Universal Periodic Review (UPR). The stakeholders emailed by the government to take part in this feedback process were those who had registered with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

and Trade to attend one of the eight public UPR consultation sessions held nationwide in 2018.

The list of stakeholders is held by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade who led the initial UPR consultation process. This list cannot be released as the Ministry is protecting the privacy of the individuals listed, as the list contains individual contact details which were specifically collected for the purpose of UPR consultation.

The invitation to provide feedback on New Zealand's UPR recommendations was emailed to these stakeholders on 27 February 2019. A copy of the email is attached.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details redacted) and may be published on the Ministry's website.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of this response by the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely

Wendy Adams
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

From: UPR2019

Sent: Wednesday, 27 February 2019 1:57 p.m.

To: UPR2019

Subject: Feedback requested on the recommendations received during New Zealand's 3rd Universal Periodic Review

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Thank you for your interest in New Zealand's 3rd Universal Periodic Review (UPR) on human rights and the Government's consultation sessions that took place across the country in 2018.

New Zealand's review took place at the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva on 21 January 2019. 77 countries made a total of 194 recommendations to New Zealand on further steps we can take to improve our human rights situation. The recommendations are included in the attached draft report of the Human Rights Council. The Government will formally respond to these recommendations in June 2019.

Please have your say

The New Zealand Government invites you to send your feedback on the recommendations received during New Zealand's third UPR.

The Ministry of Justice is conducting targeted stakeholder engagement to support the Government's consideration of the recommendations from the UPR. Your input is much appreciated as it will assist us to identify which recommendations are prioritised the most by New Zealanders. You can submit your feedback [here](#).

Please note that due to the tight timeframe given to New Zealand to respond to the UN, there is limited time available for submissions. Comments are limited to **500 words** so that we can analyse all submissions. We would appreciate it if submissions focus on specific recommendations and reflect on the recommendations made to New Zealand by other countries, rather than raising new issues. Stakeholder engagement closes on **Wednesday 13 March 2019 at 5pm**. Please feel free to forward the feedback link on to others if you wish.

Thank you for being part of the process so far, and for providing us with your valuable input. We look forward to continuing our dialogue with you on human rights issues.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Ministry of Justice

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