

20 May 2024



Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 7 May 2024. You requested the following:

"I am writing to request information under the Official Information Act 1982 regarding public sector expenditures on consultants specifically related to departmental restructurings and redundancies.

Please provide the information for the period from 1st October 2023 to 30th April 2024:

- A list of all companies contracted to provide consultancy services related to departmental restructures or redundancy processes, including services in human resources, training, support and legal.
- 2. The total amount spent on these consultancy services during the specified period. For ongoing contracts, please include the current expenditure and an estimate of the standard hourly or daily rates charged by these services.
- 3. The duration of each contract related to the aforementioOned services. For contracts that are still active, please provide the expected end date or the estimated total duration."

Inland Revenue has not engaged with external consultants for the purposes of any restructuring or redundancy activity for the period of May 1, 2022, to May 1, 2024.

As such, your request is refused under section 18(g) of the OIA, as the information is not held by Inland Revenue, and I have no reason to believe it is held by or more closely connected with the functions of another agency.

## **Publishing of OIA response**

We intend to publish our response to your request on Inland Revenue's website (<u>ird.govt.nz</u>) as this information may be of interest to other members of the public. This letter, with your personal details removed, may be published in its entirety. Publishing responses increases the availability of information to the public and is consistent with the OIA's purpose of enabling more effective participation in the making and administration of laws and policies and promoting the accountability of officials.

Thank you again for your request.



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