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Official Information Act Transfer
Our ref: OIA 2024 - 0122

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 5 May 2024, where you have asked:

"My name is: 9(2)(a) privacy Citizenship Number: 9(2)(a)

I am a New Zealand Citizenship holder currently residing in Australia and have applied for Australian citizenship.

The Department of immigration of Australia has requested additional documents for verification. Please see the response below from the immigration department:

Request detail

Police certificates – Indian PCC used for NZ citizenship application Thank you for submitting your Indian Police Clearance dated 19/04/2024. As you applied for this with your current NZ passport (Number 9(2)(a)), it only covers the period of time between the commencement of your NZ citizenship and the present.

Please provide the police certificate you would have submitted as part of your NZ citizenship application. This can be obtained by making inquiries with the New Zealand authorities to gain access (via Freedom of Information) to your application for New Zealand citizenship and requesting information pertaining to your New Zealand citizenship records.

Are you able to guide me or help me obtain this information?"

We have transferred your request to the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) as the information to which your request relates is not held by us but is believed to be held by DIA. In these circumstances, we are required by section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 to transfer your request.

You will hear further from DIA concerning your request.

Yours sincerely

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