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Claire Bleakely
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Dear Claire

Thank you for your email of 19 June 2023 requesting information relating to New Zealand's exports and imports of LMO's in the years 2018 - 2023.

The Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) will not be able to respond within the timeframe set out in section 15A(1)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), because your request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the normal 20 working day time limit would unreasonably interfere with the operations of MPI.

MPI will reply to your request by no later than 22 August 2023, earlier if possible.

Should you have any concerns with this extension, I would encourage you to raise these with the MPI at Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Michelle Morehu'.

Michelle Morehu
Director Government Service