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I refer to your letter received on 2 March 2023 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*The Eastern Indonesia Community Policing Programme, including the training of police from West Papua did not proceed in 2014 and I have been advised subsequently that there have been no discussions about resuming this programme. Under the terms of the Official Information Act I would like to confirm that this is still the case?*

*Under the terms of the Official Information Act, I would also like to update information about the training provided by New Zealand Police to the Indonesian police at the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation (JCLEC).*

- 1. In 2021 you advised that New Zealand trainers teach in courses at the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation namely 'Cyber Training Course for Indonesia, Philippines and Thailand', 'Countering Violent Extremism through Community Engagement' and 'Investigation Skills Training for People Smuggling Investigators'. I understand that these courses took place virtually in 2021.*
- 2. Did the specified courses take place in person in Indonesia in 2022?*
- 3. Has there been any additional subject area or course taught by New Zealand trainers in the past year to date?*
- 4. Are there any plans for New Zealand to contribute to or provide additional courses or subject training at the JCLEC in the future?*
- 5. Has any training for members of the Indonesian Police been provided in New Zealand.*

*If so please provide details of the training or course undertaken by members of the Indonesian Police in New Zealand.*

On 13 March 2023, you were informed that the below portion of your request was transferred to NZ Police for response:

- 1. In 2021 you advised that New Zealand trainers teach in courses at the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation namely 'Cyber Training Course for Indonesia, Philippines and Thailand', 'Countering Violent Extremism through Community Engagement' and 'Investigation Skills Training for People Smuggling Investigators'. I understand that these courses took place virtually in 2021.*
- 2. Did the specified courses take place in person in Indonesia in 2022?*
- 3. Has there been any additional subject area or course taught by New Zealand trainers in the past year to date?*
- 4. Are there any plans for New Zealand to contribute to or provide additional courses or subject training at the JCLEC in the future?*

5. *Has any training for members of the Indonesian Police been provided in New Zealand.*

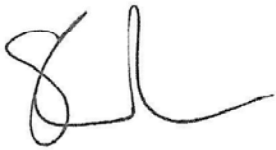
*If so please provide details of the training or course undertaken by members of the Indonesian Police in New Zealand.*

In response to the remainder of your request, *"The Eastern Indonesia Community Policing Programme, including the training of police from West Papua did not proceed in 2014 and I have been advised subsequently that there have been no discussions about resuming this programme. Under the terms of the Official Information Act I would like to confirm that this is still the case?"*, I can confirm that there have been no discussions about resuming this programme.

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

If you have any questions about this decision, you can contact us by email at: [DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz](mailto:DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz). You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SC', written in a cursive style.

Sarah Corbett  
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade