



16 May 2023

Tēnā koe

On 14 April 2023, the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment transferred part of your request for information to the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry). The transferred part of your request will be considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*RNZ seeks to establish if the Govt Procurement system is increasingly expressing a preference for specified vendor systems/products/services in the IT cloud computing field.*

*We are aware of tenders that say 'if cloud hosted solution is proposed, preference will be given to Azure and AWS in that order'*

*We request to know the number of GETS tenders, per year, covering the last 4 years, in all and any aspects of cloud computing, that specified a preference for Microsoft and/or Azure and/or AWS and/of Amazon and/or Google systems/products/services and any combination of these.*

*Please also ensure this covers both GETS in its publicly accessible online format and its 'private' one'. The aim is to map any increase. We request you apply the search or other tool that you believe is best suited to most comprehensively gathering this information.*

*If any of the above has previously been publicly released, pls provide links to that forthwith. If any of the above has previously been released under the OIA, pls release it now to RNZ as per the OIA regs and SOP.*

*Pls redact names of junior staff but include those of senior ones.*

The Ministry can confirm that they have had one GETS tender awarded in December 2022 that falls within the scope of your request.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The last four years has been defined as the period between 31 March 2019 to 31 March 2023.

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter on the Ministry's website. Your personal details will be deleted, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact [OIA\\_Requests@msd.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with this response regarding the number of GETS tenders awarded by the Ministry, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui



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