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Tēnā koe s9(2)(a)

I refer to your request received on 14 April 2023, which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), for information relating specified preferences for cloud computing suppliers in tender processes. As you are aware, this request was partially transferred from the Ministry for Business, Innovation and Employment. We understand this request was transferred to Manatū Taonga as one of the tender processes related to this Ministry.

Manatū Taonga had one tender process related to your request. This was a tender for a Contestable Funds Management System. Within the associated documentation, there is a clause which shows a preference regarding cloud computing software. The relevant clause is repeated below:

Manatū Taonga has a preference for the service to be hosted on infrastructure services provided by Microsoft Azure.

Amazon Web Services is also acceptable. Manatū Taonga has completed a risk-based assessment that the infrastructure services provided by Microsoft and Amazon Web Services have acceptable security controls to host the services.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact oia@mch.govt.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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