



Open Government Partnership Independent Reporting Mechanism

Action Plan Review: Netherlands 2023-2027 Comments Received

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Comment on Section II: Commitment 14

In the Woo (Public Access to Government Information Act), there is an obligation of effort to proactively make government information public (Article 3.1 Woo). The goal of this research is to gain insight into the information needs of society regarding government information. The results of this research will be used to fulfill the obligation of effort in the area of proactive disclosure. According to some, Article 3.1 of the Woo is the most essential article of the law; it most embodies the spirit of 'Open, unless'. The fact that the Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations (BZK), as the policy-responsible department, is the commissioner of this research is significant and important in this context. My request to the IRM is to change the qualification 'Potential for results: Unclear' to 'Substantial.'