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I refer to your email of 9 August 2022 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- *'Details of each time the Ministry has engaged the services of Tatou NZ Ltd.*
- *Invoices for services paid from Tatou NZ Ltd. Specifically, the amounts and dates.*
- *Description of the work completed in each instance.*
- *What was the procurement process? How many other providers were considered?*
- *If ministerial sign off was required, please provide details of which Minister(s) signed off.'*

According to the Ministry's accounts payable vendor records, we have never engaged or paid Tatou NZ Ltd for any services. Therefore we are refusing your request under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the information requested does not exist, or despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

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. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade