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I refer to your email of 1 March 2024 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

Any secondary briefing provided by your agency to your agency's minister/s since 27 November 2023

On 4 March we contacted you seeking a phone number to call you and clarify exactly what you were asking for in this request. You responded on the same day saying *My request refers to any documents titled "secondary briefing"*. Accordingly, we have interpreted your request to be for:

Any briefing provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade to any of our Ministers since 27 November 2023 with the phrase "secondary briefing" in the title.

Your request is refused in full under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the information you requested does not exist.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Therefore, our response to your request (with your personal information removed) may be published on the Ministry website:

www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/contact-us/official-information-act-responses/

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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