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Thank you for your email of 1 June 2025 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"Under the Official Information Act, please supply a list of all formal briefings sent to the Minister of Foreign Affairs by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade between 1-31 May 2025."

Between 1 and 31 May 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) sent 85 briefings to the Minister of Foreign Affairs. A list of these briefing titles are attached in **Annex One**.

19 briefing titles are withheld in full under the following sections of the OIA:

- 6(a): to avoid prejudicing the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the New Zealand Government;
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Sarah Corbett
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

ANNEX ONE - List of all formal briefings sent to the Minister of Foreign Affairs by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade between 1 May and 31 May 2025

No.	Date Of Dispatch	Category	Title
1.	1/05/2025	Submission	Aide Memoire — Going For Growth Trade and Investment Ministerial Group
2.	1/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Michel Goffin, Outgoing Belgian Ambassador to New Zealand
3.	1/05/2025	Aide Memoire	Aide Memoire: Response to Petition from Shinichi Yamada: Advocate that the Japanese government prevents a nuclear crisis in Japan
4.	1/05/2025	Brief for Travel	MFA South Asia Visit Planning
5.	1/05/2025	Submission	Partial Guest of Government request: Minister of State (External Affairs), India
6.	2/05/2025	Cabinet Paper	Report on Overseas Travel: Rt Hon Winston Peters – 10 to 17 April 2025
7.	2/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Prime Minister's Fellow from Japan State Minister Kiyoto TSUJI
8.	5/05/2025	Submission	Australian General Election: Outcome and implications for New Zealand
9.	5/05/2025	Submission	Stocktake of New Zealand IDC spend in Pacific fisheries
10.	5/05/2025	Submission	Partial Guest of Government request: Fisheries Ministers from Fiji, Kiribati and Papua New Guinea
11.	5/05/2025	Submission	Letter of Credentials - 18th Conference of State - Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
12.	6/05/2025	Submission	Third United Nations Ocean Conference, Nice, France, June 2025 - Credentials
13.	7/05/2025	Submission	Partial Guest of Government request: Ulu o Tokelau
14.	7/05/2025	Cabinet Paper	Proposed Overseas Travel: Rt Hon Winston Peters – 25 May - 1 June 2025
15.	7/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Dinner with Shri Pabitra Margherita, Indian Minister of State for External Affairs (MTI)
16.	7/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Bilateral Meeting with Pabitra Margherita, Indian Minister of State for External Affairs
17.	7/05/2025	Submission	Briefing for short pull-aside meeting with Shri Pabitra Margherita, Indian Minister of State for External Affairs, Friday 9 May
18.	8/05/2025	Informal Note	Latin America and Caribbean Climate Smart Agriculture Initiative: Cuba
19.	8/05/2025	Brief for Event	Event Brief: Deputy Prime Minister, Rt Hon Winston Peters Dinner with Latin American Ambassadors
20.	8/05/2025	Submission	ASEAN-New Zealand Relations: May 2025 Update: The Road to Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP)

21.	8/05/2025	Submission	Antarctica: 47th Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting: New Zealand Priorities and Delegation
22.	8/05/2025	Submission	Papua New Guinea: New Zealand's new package of support for the Bougainville Police Service
23.	8/05/2025	Submission	Pacific Islands Forum – New Zealand's response to the draft Report of the PIF Troika Plus Mission to New Caledonia
24.	8/05/2025	Submission	International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance: New Zealand's Delegation and Approach
25.	9/05/2025	Submission	Antarctica New Zealand: Draft Statement of Intent 2025-2029 and Draft Statement of Performance Expectations 2025/26
26.	9/05/2025	Submission	Antarctica New Zealand – Report (November 2024 – February 2025)
27.	9/05/2025	Submission	UN Budget Crisis: New Zealand Engagement in Major Reform Processes
28.	9/05/2025	Informal Note	Informal Note — Update on Bina Harbour Tuna Processing Plant
29.	9/05/2025	Submission	MTI Attendance at ASEAN-convened meeting on Regional and Global Economic Developments
30.	12/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Meeting with Danish Ambassador HE Ingrid Dahl-Madsen
31.	12/05/2025	Submission	Update of New Zealand's position on international law in cyberspace
32.	12/05/2025	Submission	UN Security Council Elections 2026-27 Reciprocal Support Arrangements
33.	12/05/2025	Submission	Tokelau – Offshore Fisheries Update (II)
34.	12/05/2025	Submission	UN Security Council elections 2026-27: Reciprocal Support Arrangements
35.	13/05/2025	Submission	ASEAN: Prime Minister's Fellows 2025: New Candidate from Indonesia
36.	13/05/2025	Submission	78th World Health Assembly
37.	14/05/2025	Submission	35th Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea – Letter of Credentials
38.	14/05/2025	Cabinet Paper	Proposed Overseas Travel: Rt Hon Winston Peters – 23 May - 1 June 2025
39.	15/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Laurence Beau, Ambassador of France to New Zealand
40.	15/05/2025	Submission	Formalising Diplomatic Relations with Madagascar
41.	15/05/2025	Brief for Call	Briefing for phone call with Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba
42.	15/05/2025	Informal Note	Informal Note — Tokelau infrastructure projects: update – May 2025
43.	15/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Esera Tuisano, Ulu o Tokelau
44.	15/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Briefing for meeting Baron Waqa, Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Forum, 21 May
45.	15/05/2025	Brief for Event	Event Brief – Dinner with PIF Secretary General Baron Waqa

46.	15/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Baron Waqa, Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Forum (PIF)
47.	15/05/2025	Brief for Event	EVENT BRIEF: DINNER WITH PIF SECRETARIAT DELEGATION, 21 MAY
48.	15/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting: Baron Waqa, Pacific Islands Forum (PIF) Secretary General
49.	16/05/2025	Brief for Meeting	Meeting Brief: Special ASEAN Economic Ministers Meeting with New Zealand and Australia (AEM-CER)
50.	19/05/2025	Informal Note	Informal Note - ADB Procurement in the Pacific
51.	19/05/2025	Submission	International Development Cooperation – ASEAN-New Zealand Vision Fund
52.	19/05/2025	Informal Note	Informal Note — China/Pacific Island Countries Foreign Ministers Meeting
53.	19/05/2025	Brief for Travel	Rt Hon Winston Peters Visit to Australia, Sri Lanka, Nepal, and India 23-31 May 2025
54.	20/05/2025	Submission	Final Meeting Brief: Special ASEAN Economic Ministers Meeting with New Zealand and Australia (AEM-CER)
55.	21/05/2025	Brief for Travel	MFA Rt Hon Winston Peters Visit to Australia, Sri Lanka, Nepal and India May 25 - Day Packs
56.	21/05/2025	Submission	New Zealand's voting position on two resolutions related to Palestine in the 78th session of the World Health Assembly
57.	22/05/2025	Other	Background Briefing for Officials Australia-New Zealand Foreign Ministers' Consultations
58.	22/05/2025	Submission	Thailand: Prime Minister's Fellow 2024-2025
59.	22/05/2025	Brief for Event	Event recommendation - 50th Anniversary of New Zealand Viet Nam diplomatic relations, hosted by the Vietnamese Embassy
60.	26/05/2025	Submission	Proposed Level of New Zealand Participation in the 2025/26 Antarctic Toothfish Fishing Season
61.	26/05/2025	Submission	Waiver of New Zealand Immunity: NZPM New York
62.	27/05/2025	Submission	China's safeguard investigation into beef imports
63.	29/05/2025	Submission	Israel/Palestine - Policy Settings
64.	29/05/2025	Submission	Humanitarian and stabilisation support for Gaza and the West Bank
65.	29/05/2025	Submission	Credentials Submission United Nations World Intellectual Property Organization meetings 2025
66.	30/05/2025	Submission	4th International Conference on Financing for Development