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Thank you for your email of 17 June 2025 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*the full contents of any email held on the MFAT email system sent in the past year, that contains the following keyword:*

*residence*

*AND*

*Israel*

*AND*

*either of the following text strings, in full Ran Yaakoby OR Yaakoby, Ran OR Alon Roth OR Roth, Alon OR Roth-Snir, Alon*

*If Alon Roth appears as 'Alon Roth-Snir', that should be included.*

*I am not concerned as to the case (lower or upper) of the text in question. I am requesting the full contents of the emails, not a summary.*

On 19 June 2025, we requested evidence from you of your eligibility to make OIA requests. On 25 June 2025 you responded, inviting us to provide you with a phone number to call to verify your presence in New Zealand and your New Zealand citizenship. We responded to you on 26 June 2015 inviting you to send your proof of eligibility to our public email address. We did not receive a response to this email.

The initial search of our email system using the parameters you requested generated over 8000 emails that would need to be reviewed to determine if they were in scope of your request. Given the large number of items that would need to be reviewed before being prepared for release, your request is refused under section 18 (f) of the OIA, as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation and research.

Should you wish, you can resubmit you request with a more narrowly focused set of parameters in the future.

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/](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone  
0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large loop followed by a horizontal stroke and a small upward flick.

Sarah Corbett  
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade