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Thank you for your email of 3 July 2025 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

a copy the following piece of correspondence from the Minister of Finance to the Minister for Foreign Affairs:

'One letter addressed to [Winston Peters] from the Minister of Finance regarding Budget 2025, which included commentary on savings, was copied to the Chief Executive and Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade. This letter is dated 20 November 2024 and has no title.'

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Nāku noa, nā

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for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade