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Thank you for your email of 25 September 2025 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"Under the Official Information Act, I would like to request all briefing documents and aide-memoire for the FFM in preparation for the 80th United Nations General Assembly high-power meetings and bilateral talks in September in New York."

On 30 September 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) contacted you to discuss the scope of your request, because as it was originally framed it captured a significant volume of information.

On 30 September 2025, you agreed to refine the scope of your request to be for:

"Let's limit it to the Two State Conference."

As a result of this refinement, your OIA request is for:

all briefing documents and aide-memoire provided to the Minister of Foreign in preparation for the 80th United Nations General Assembly meetings and bilateral talks in September in New York relating to the Two State Conference.

Please find attached the document related to your request titled, *Event Brief – Two State Solution Conference*.

If you are interested in any further briefings from UNGA High-Level Week, you can find a full range of meetings and events attended by the Minister of Foreign Affairs on the Minister's X page: <https://x.com/newzealandmfa?lang=en>

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SC', written in a cursive style.

Sarah Corbett
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Event brief: Two State Solution Conference

Time and date: 3:00-6:00pm, Monday, 22 September

Objectives

- Use the opportunity to listen to a range of views on the viability of the two-state solution and hear from those that have announced formal recognition of the State of Palestine.

Speaking points

- You have not been inscribed to speak.

Agenda

15:00 – 15:20	Statements by the co-chairs of the conference (France and Saudi Arabia)
15:20 – 15:25	Statement by the UN Secretary General
15:25 – 15:30	Statement by the President of the General Assembly
15:30 – 15:40	Statement by the President of the State of Palestine
15:40 – 17:50	Operationalization of the New York Declaration: Statements by Heads of State and Government Leaders, including the Co-Chairs of the Working groups, to present concrete efforts to implement the New York Declaration, including formal recognitions of the State of Palestine.
17:50 – 18:00	Closing Remarks by the co-chairs of the conference (France and Saudi Arabia)

Meeting logistics

- *Transport:* Walk from the Official Residence to the UN.
- You will be seated behind the New Zealand name plate
- Selection of speakers will be determined by the Co-Chairs, with priority given to protocol rank and formal announcements of recognition.
- The Conference will highlight concrete efforts to:
 - End the war in Gaza and secure the “day after” for Palestinians and Israelis;
 - Empower a sovereign, economically viable State of Palestine,
 - Operationalizing the New York Declaration