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Thank you for your email of 24 November 2025 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"This is a formal request under the terms of the Official Information Act 1982.

New Zealand states that it is a strong supporter of the International Court of Justice.

<https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/media-and-resources/unga-illegal-israeli-actions-in-occupied-jerusalem-and-the-rest-of-the-occupied-palestinian-territory-item-5-draft-resolution-aes-10l-31rev-1-explanation-of-vote>

This is a request to the New Zealand government to provide copies of all documentation held by MFAT relating to its compliance with clauses 273 to 279 (Legal consequences for other States) of the Advisory Opinion issued by the International Court of Justice in July 2024 on the Legal Consequences arising from Israel's policies and practices and from the illegality of Israel's continued presence in the Occupied Palestinian Territory

<file:///E:/186-20240719-adv-01-00-en%20ICJ%20Advisory%2019%20July%202024.pdf>

In particular, this is a request for a comprehensive list of all steps the New Zealand government has taken as a consequence of the July 2024 Advisory Opinion and a list of all matters or areas where the NZ government considers that it is not or may not be in compliance with the terms of the Advisory."

The information requested is publicly available on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) website, at the Israel Hamas Conflict webpage via the following link. Accordingly, your request is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA:

<https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/countries-and-regions/middle-east/israel-hamas-conflict>.

Please note that the information in the OIA responses with the following reference numbers: OIA 29917 and OIA 29785, addresses the totality of information held by the Ministry related to the International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion.

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