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Thank you for your email of 8 December 2025, in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"1. Records of any international commitments, treaties, or agreements that influenced or required New Zealand to provide financial, military, or humanitarian support to Ukraine.

2. Documentation of any requests, directives, or communications received from foreign governments or international organizations (e.g., UN, NATO, EU, Five Eyes partners) regarding NZ's support for Ukraine.

3. Copies of ministerial briefings or Cabinet papers prepared by MFAT that reference external obligations or requests in relation to Ukraine."

Part one of your request is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the information does not exist, or despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.


Part two of your request is refused under section 18(f) of the OIA, as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

Information relevant to part three of your request is publicly available on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) website. Accordingly, your request is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA: <https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/countries-and-regions/europe/ukraine/russian-invasion-of-ukraine/proactive-release-of-ukraine-russia-advice-to-ministers>

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, consisting of a stylized 'S' followed by a horizontal line and a small upward stroke.

Sarah Corbett
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade