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Dear <sup>Personal Details removed for</sup>  
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Thank you for your email of 2 February 2026 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*"Under the Official Information Act, please supply a list of all formal briefings sent to the Minister of Foreign Affairs by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade between 1-31 January 2026."*

Your request is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information is soon to be publicly available on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade website here:  
<https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/ministerial-briefings>

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



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for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade