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Thank you for your email of 31 May 2026 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*"I request the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:*

*1) The oldest unpaid invoice currently held on MFAT's accounts payable system:*

- Date it was raised*
- Payment terms at the time of issuance*
- Original invoice value*
- A brief description of the goods or services the invoice relates to, or the relevant expense category used in financial records*

*2) The oldest unpaid invoice currently held on the MFAT's accounts receivable system (money owed to the department by a customer or external entity):*

- Date it was raised*
- Payment terms at the time of issuance*
- Original invoice value*
- A brief description of the goods or services the invoice relates to, or the relevant revenue category used in financial records."*

## **Response to your request**

In response to part one of your request the oldest unpaid invoice on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade's (the Ministry) accounts payable system.

Data as at Wednesday 3 June 2026	
- Date it was raised	14 August 2025
- Payment terms at the time of issuance	M20 (20 <sup>th</sup> of month following)
- Original invoice value	NZ\$1881.83
- A brief description of the goods or services the invoice relates to, or the relevant expense category used in financial records	iPhone charges, cases, screen protectors, and cables.

In response to part two of your request the oldest unpaid invoice on the Ministry's accounts receivable system (money owed to the department by a customer or external entity).

Data as at Wednesday 3 June 2026	
- Date it was raised	6 August 2024
- Payment terms at the time of issuance	M20 (20 <sup>th</sup> of month following)
- Original invoice value	NZ\$777.64
- A brief description of the goods or services the invoice relates to, or the relevant expense category used in financial records	Cost recovery overseas visit

Please note that during the preparation of this response to you the outstanding amount due to the Ministry was paid on 5 June 2026.

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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