

10 July 2019

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Dear G.W.

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), dated 12 June 2019 for:

“all communications between Museums Aotearoa and the ministry between 2017 and 2019. Communications should include emails, letters, minutes or other records from meetings, record of phone conversations and submissions to select committee.”

On 18 June 2019, we asked that you refine your request in order for the Ministry to respond, and suggested you may wish to narrow the scope of your request by focusing on information relating to specific policies or projects that you are interested in. Unfortunately you have not responded to this request.

We have therefore decided to refuse your request in full under section 18(f) of the OIA, as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

The reasons for withholding information are not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact us at [OIA@mch.govt.nz](mailto:OIA@mch.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely



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