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John Power

By email: fyi-request-10854-b89726bb@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear John

Official information request for information related to the Hong Kong protests

I refer to your official information request dated 31 July 2019:

“All correspondence received by the Office of the Chancellor and/or Vice Chancellors from Chinese embassy and/consular officials, or their representatives, within the last 45 days which address the protests in Hong Kong and related university events, as well as memos and other written records of any verbal or other representations on the matter.”

I can confirm that both the Office of the Chancellor and the Office of the Vice Chancellor have received no correspondence or other information from the Chinese embassy or consular officials and their representatives within the last 45 days which address the protests in Hong Kong and related University events. Therefore, your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact me at oiarequests@vuw.ac.nz.

Yours sincerely



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