Hon Eugenie Sage

Minister of Conservation Minister for Land Information Associate Minister for the Environment Minita mō Te Papa Atawhai Minita mō Toitū Te Whenua Minita Tuarua mō Te Taiao



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Dear Richard

Thank you for your email dated 2 August 2019 the following under the Official Information Act:

The total (nautical) miles/kilometres that you flew in the Calendar year 2018 for;

- Total Domestic nautical miles or kilometres reclaimable travel as an MP & total one way trips
- Total Domestic nautical miles or kilometres for private travel & total one way trips
- Total International nautical miles or kilometres reclaimable travel as an MP & total one way trips
- Total International nautical miles or kilometres for private travel & total one way trips

The Official Information Act only applies to information relating to my duties and work I undertake as a Minister. It does not apply to personal or private matters and it does not apply to non-ministerial work or travel undertaken as a Member of Parliament (i.e. in my capacity as a Green Party MP), which you have asked for.

Part of the information you have requested is enclosed. I have refused your request for information which relates to the 'total one way trip's and for any kilometres travelled on airlines other than Air New Zealand or star alliance partners. This is under section 18 (g) of the Official Information Act, as the does not exist or cannot be found.

Below is the information I am releasing pertaining to my ministerial air travel kilometres for the 2018 calendar year. This covers all travel on Air New Zealand and star alliance carriers only. The total kilometres travelled with these carriers (and for which date is available) during 2018 is 103,357.

	Domestic air travel (km)	International air travel (km)
Q1, 2018	16,595	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Q2, 2018	15,318	36,768
Q3, 2019	15,306	
Q4, 2019	16,962	2,408
Total	64,181	39,176

If you are not satisfied with my response to your request, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Sincerely

Hon Eugenie Sage

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