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Dear Harry,

Thank you for your email of 24 September in which you submitted an Official Information Act request, partially transferred from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, as follows:

- (1) *"How many meetings have the PM and Cabinet had with theistic leaders and theistic organisations since October 2017?*
 - (A) *which leaders and organisations have been met with?*
how many times were said leaders and organisations met with?
 - (B) *How long were these said meetings?*
 - (C) *What was discussed during said meetings?*
 - (D) *Did said meetings impact on any governmental action (including policy and legislation)?*
- (2) *Has the PM or members of Cabinet ever met with the "The Family and International Foundation" (USA) or communicated with them, in any capacity (including indirectly)?*
 - (A) *How long were these said meetings? Who was involved in and with them?*
 - (B) *What was discussed during said meetings?."*

I have had the following meetings with theistic leaders and theistic organisations since October 2017: on 9 April 2018 I met with the Church Leaders Group and the Prime Minister from 5-6pm to discuss climate change, housing and child poverty. I value all meetings and consider all feedback in the course of developing policy, however this meeting did not lead to any specific policy decisions.

Please note that some community housing providers have religious ties or heritage, however I have not listed these for the purpose of this Official Information Act request.

I have not met with the "The Family and International Foundation (USA) or communicated with them, in any capacity.

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.

Kind Regards

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