

Reference: 20210598

22 March 2022

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Dear George

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received on 22 December 2021. You requested:

- 1. All communications specifically from Christopher Luxon to shareholding Ministers for Air New Zealand relating to the company for the period 19 June 2012 to 25 October 2017;
- 2. All communications from anyone at Air NZ to shareholding Ministers for Air New Zealand relating to the engine maintenance work it did for the Royal Saudi Navy for the period 19 June 2012 to 25 October 2017;
- 3. All communications from anyone at Air NZ to shareholding Ministers for Air New Zealand relating to rationalising or removing regional flights for the period 19 June 2012 to 25 October 2017.

On 28 January 2022, I wrote to you to extend the time limit for deciding on your request by an additional 60 working days, because your request necessitated a search through a large quantity of information, and consultation was required before a decision could be made.

No information held

We have undertaken an electronic search of the Treasury's records and the Department of Internal Affairs has also conducted a search of its records, relating to email communications to the previous shareholding Ministers. Neither search identified any substantive information relevant to your request.

Consequently, I have decided to refuse your requests under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act – the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Treasury website.

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely

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