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Dear Scott

**Official Information Act request for Foreign Interference briefings and Cabinet paper**

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 5 April 2022. You requested:

*“ONE: The December 2017 briefing titled “Foreign Interference - Brady Report and Canberra Visit” [1718NSP/033]*

*TWO: The February 2018 briefing titled “Update on cross-agency foreign interference work” [1718NSP/046]*

*THREE: The March 2018 briefing titled “Update on policy approach to foreign interference in New Zealand” [1718NSP/048]*

***FOUR: The October 2018 Cabinet paper titled “Managing Foreign Interference Risks in New Zealand” [ERS-18-SUB-0022]***

*FIVE: The April 2019 briefing titled “Foreign interference in the media” [1819NSPD/111]*

*SIX: The two August and September 2019 briefings both titled “Provision of Classified Material to Elected Officials” [document IDs 4155797 and 4175735]*

*SEVEN: The November 2020 briefing titled “Ministers Requiring Access to Classified Material” [document ID 4321072]”*

I believe that the Cabinet paper, *Managing Foreign Interference Risks in New Zealand* (bolded above) is more closely connected to the functions of the Minister for National Security and Intelligence, the Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act to transfer this part of your request to that Minister. The remainder of your request has not been transferred, and the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet will respond in due course.

The Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern has the usual timeframes under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

  
Sarah Corbett  
Manager Ministerial and Business Services