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Tēnā koe Sebastian

I refer to your email of 9 June 2022 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- 1) A copy of the Pacific Reset Advisory group's terms of reference and membership list
- 2) For all meetings held by the group, the dates that these meetings were held
- 3) If there is an equivalent group for the Pacific Resilience strategy I would like to request a copy of their terms of reference and membership as well, and the dates that all meetings of this group were held

On Friday 8 July 2022 we advised that we needed to extend the timeframe to respond to your request, by 20 working days.

On Friday 5 August 2022 you were advised we made the decision to release information to you in relation to parts 1 and 2 of your request, and that part 3 of your request for information was refused under Section 18(e) of the OIA, as the information does not exist

Please find the below answers to your queries:

1) A copy of the group's terms of reference and membership list

The Pacific Reset Group was an informal grouping initiated by the group members and coordinated by the Council for International Development. This group included the Pasifika community, NGOs and academic representatives. The Terms of Reference has been released to you in full and is attached.

As is stated in the Terms of Reference, "The intention is that the membership of the group remain fluid, to enable it to usefully respond to the Pacific Reset programme". Below is a list of Group Members who attended meeting(s) from 2018 – 2020 with the Minister and/or Parliamentary Undersecretary.

- Josie Pagani
- Penehuro Lefale
- Kiki Maoate
- Josiah Tualamali'i
- Peter Fa'afiu

- Anna Powles
  - 2) For all meetings held by the group, the dates that these meetings were held

Listed below are meetings of the group that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) has on record. This may not reflect the entirety of the meetings held by the group.

- 3 May 2018
- 16 August 2018
- 27 March 2019
- 18 June 2020

Please note that we may publish this letter (with your personal details redacted) on the Ministry's website.

If you have any questions about this decision, you can contact us by email at: <a href="mailto:DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz">DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz</a>. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting <a href="www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

Sarah Corbett

for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade