From:

s9(2)(g)(ii)

(In et)

Sent:

Thursday, 2 June 2022 1030 am s9(2)(g)(ii)

To:

RE: OIA's

Subject: Attachments:

RE: Official Information request - NZ government support for terrorist attacks on

the al-Aqsa Mosque and Gaza

Have attached s9(2)(a) extension as MFAT is still working on it.

The Mohammed Khan OIA is a MFAT OIA and they will only send it to us as a brief review/FYI once it is ready to send from their side and hence I will not be able to provide you that OIA by 1.00pm as it is still being worked on from their side.



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Private Secretary | Office of Hon Nanaia Mahuta MP
Minister of Foreign Affairs | Minister of Local Government | Associate Minister for Maori Development

M: s9(2)(a)

Private Bag 18041, Parliament Buildings, Wellington 6160, New Zealand

From: \$9(2)(g)(ii)

Sent: Thursday, 2 June 2022 10:27 AM

To: s9(2)(g)(ii)

Subject: RE: OIA's

Thanks \$9(2) — Can you send me the original email for the \$9(2)(0) one and the Mohammed Khan one please?

I'll need these by 1:00p;m hard deadline.

### Cheers

From: \$9(2)(g)(ii)

Sent: Thursday, 2 June 2022 9:56 AM

To: s9(2)(g)(ii) Subject: FW: OIA's

Hi s9(2)(g)(ii)

Sorry for delay with this.

I have attached the <sup>s9(2)(a)</sup> OIA and the Greenpeace OIA.

The s9(2)(a) OIA has been extended, and MFAT are working on this.

Also, I am finding out about the Mohammed Khan OIA has I have not come across this OIA before.

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Private Bag 18041, Parliament Buildings, Wellington 6160, New Zealand

From: \$9(2)(g)(ii)

Sent: Wednesday, 1 June 2022 9:31 AM

To: s9(2)(g)(ii)

Subject: OIA's

Hi s9(2)(g)(ii)

Can you please send the OIA's and collated documents for the OIA's which have been ticked on the attached sheet. Could you flick these through to me by before 1pm?

Cheers,

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From:

s9(2)(g)(ii)

(ESD)

Sent:

Thursday, 9 June 2022 4:39 pm s9(2)(g)(ii) (lp.et)

To:

(In et)

Subject:

OIA 28079 Mohammed Kahn - response

Attachments:

OIA 28079 Mohammed Khan - Response (2).docx; OIA 28079 Mohammed Khan -

Cover Sheet (1).docx

Importance:

High

## [SEEMAIL] [IN CONFIDENCE]

Hey \$9(2)(g)(ii)

Please see attached the cover sheet and response letter for this OIA. Let me know if you'll need more time to get it through sign out.

Ngā mihi

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#### Senior Adviser

Executive Services Division New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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From:

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(In et)

Sent:

Tuesday, 14 June 2022 10:35 am s9(2)(g)(ii)

To:

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Cc: Subject:

FW: OIA 28079 Mohammed Kahn - response

Attachments:

OIA 28079 Mohammed Khan - Response (2).docx; OIA 28079 Mohammed Khan -

Cover Sheet (1).docx

Importance:

High

# This is due today - did the Minister want to review this one?

MFAT have advised that it will be ideal to release today if possible.



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From: 59(2)(g)(ii)

(ESD) \$9(2)(g)(ii)

Sent: Thursday, 9 June 2022 4:39 PM

To: s9(2)(g)(ii)

Subject: OIA 28079 Mohammed Kahn - response

Importance: High

# [SEEMAIL] [IN CONFIDENCE

Hey<sup>s9(2)(g)</sup>

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Ngā mihi

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# Hon Nanaia Mahuta

MP for Hauraki-Waikato
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Minister of Local Government
Associate Minister for Māori Development



15 June 2022

Mohammed Khan fyi-request-19356-01b2be24@requests.fyi.org.nz

### Tēnā koe Mohammed Khan

Thank you for your email of 16 May 2022 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

A statement was made on the @NanaiaMahuta Twitter account- https://twitter.com/Nanai aMahuta/status/1525969882495430656 - which deliberately obscured the known facts in regards the murder of Shireen Abu Akleh- that it was a deliberate killing by zionists of the 'Israel' 'Defense Forces' group, and that the assault on her funeral by 'Israeli' 'Police' was unprovoked. Only supporters of the genocide of the Palestinian people believe otherwise.

Produce all documents and communications which led to the production of this statement playing down the murder of Mrs. Abu Akleh and the attack against her funeral. Including-for example- communications with your masters in the US and 'Israel'.

The following information has been provided in summary form, in accordance with section 16(1)(e) of the OIA.

Actearoa New Zealand was heartbroken by the killing of Al Jazeera journalist Shireen Abu Akleh in Jenin. Actearoa New Zealand was also appalled by the violence that took place at her funeral. As mentioned in your request, I issued a Tweet to reiterate these sentiments. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) has also raised concerns directly with the Israeli Embassy over her killing, alongside allegations of disproportionate force used by Israeli security forces.

Actearoa New Zealand has called for an independent and transparent investigation into the killing of Ms Abu Akleh, not least so the perpetrators can be held to account.

As per our balanced and principled approach to the Middle East Peace Process and our independent foreign policy, the wording of the Tweet was carefully considered in line with Aotearoa New Zealand's established policy settings. The wording of this Tweet went through a normal sign-out process, which includes review by senior Ministry officials and advice to my office. A small number of emails were sent during this drafting and sign-out process. Aotearoa New Zealand did not communicate with other countries in considering its response to the killing of Ms Abu Akleh.

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

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

Minita Take Aorere / Minister of Foreign Affairs

From: Foreign Affairs Portfolio <ForeignAffairs.Portfolio@parliament.govt.nz>

Sent: Thursday, 16 June 2022 9:35 am

To: fyi-request-19356-01b2be24@requests.fyi.org.nz

Subject: OIA 28079 Mohammed Khan

Attachments: image002.png; OIA 28079 Mohammed Khan - Response (2).pdf

### Kia ora Mohammed Khan

Please find attached a response from the Minister of Foreign Affairs to your OIA request on 16 May.

## Ngā mihi

## Foreign Affairs Private Secretary



## Office of Hon Nanaia Mahuta

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