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Dear Melanie Petrowski

Official Information Act request for a list of attendees of the World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 31 August 2022. You requested:

“No doubt the PM and/or cabinet know who, if any, mayors or councillors from around New Zealand attended the World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments in New York from 26 to 28 April 2022, mandated by the UN General Assembly?

If so, may I please have the attendees list?”

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) is not aware of any mayors or councillors from New Zealand who attended the World Assembly of Local and Regional Governments in New York earlier this year and does not hold a list of attendees. Following enquiries made on your behalf, DPMC does not know of any other government agency or department which holds the information you have requested.

Your request is therefore refused under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, that the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

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Yours sincerely

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