



Note No. 729/22

The Department of Foreign Affairs, Protocol, presents its compliments to the Embassy of New Zealand and has the honour to inform the Embassy that the Government of Ireland is pleased to grant *agrément* to the appointment of H.E. Mr. Trevor Mallard as resident Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of New Zealand to Ireland.

The Embassy may wish to note that the name of the State is **Ireland** and that the President, **Michael D. Higgins**, is referred to in Letters of Credence and Recall as **President of Ireland**.

The Department of Foreign Affairs, Protocol, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of New Zealand the assurances of its highest consideration.

Dublin, 15 July 2022

Embassy of New Zealand
Level 3, 2-4 Merrion Row
Dublin 2

From: MARTIN, Nicola (PRD)
Sent: Friday, 10 June 2022 6:04 pm
To: STOKES, Ernest (DUB)
Cc: TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA); BURGESS, Brad (DUB)
Subject: URGENT - HOM Dublin Appointment
Attachments: Ireland - NZ HOM - TPN seeking agrément.docx; CV - Trevor Mallard.docx; Ireland - NZ HOM - TPN Seeking Agrément .pdf

Importance: High

Security Classification:
IN CONFIDENCE

Hi Ernest

Rob Taylor emailed Brad about this appointment yesterday but we see that Brad is away this week and, with the urgency for this, we are hoping you will be able to action this your Friday. Trevor Mallard is being appointed as the next Ambassador to Ireland and we would like you to now seek agrément from the Protocol Section of DFA for Mr Mallard.

I am attaching a draft TPN and Mr Mallard's CV for you to do this. I'm also attaching a finalised TPN from us in case you wanted to just add a covering TPN.

The urgency around this is that the Prime Minister will announce on Monday Mr Mallard's retirement from Parliament (please protect) and the statement will probably include reference to him having a diplomatic post in Europe (without specifying which one). We would like the agrément request to go into DFA before then. There will probably be media speculation and you may get approached in this regard. Please refer any such enquiries back to the Ministry. The Speaker has been briefed simply to say the matter is currently with the host government for consideration.

I will give you a ring Friday morning your time to talk to you about this in case you have any questions.

Thanks for your assistance with this Ernest and, obviously, this information needs to be held very tightly.

Kind regards

Nicola Martin
Senior Protocol Adviser
Protocol Division
New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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NOTE NUMBER:

The New Zealand Embassy presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Ireland and has the honour to inform the Department that the New Zealand Government wishes to nominate the Right Honourable Trevor Colin Mallard as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of New Zealand to the Republic of Ireland, with residence in Dublin, and in succession to His Excellency Mr Bradley Scott Burgess.

The New Zealand Embassy accordingly requests the assistance of the Department in seeking the agrément of the Government of the Republic of Ireland to this appointment. A curriculum vitae for Mr Mallard is attached.

The New Zealand Embassy takes this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Ireland the assurances of its highest consideration.

New Zealand Embassy

DUBLIN

10 June 2022



20 May 2022

Minister of Foreign Affairs

For approval by

20 June 2022

Head of Mission Appointments - May 2022

BRIEFING Decision Submission

PURPOSE To seek your approval of the appointments of the next New Zealand Ambassador to Ireland, and to seek the Governor-General's formal approval of these appointments.

Out of scope

Taipitopito whakapā – Contact details

NAME	ROLE	DIVISION	WORK PHONE
Amy Laurenson	Chief of Staff	Office of the Chief Executive	Out of scope

Mā te Tari Minita e whakakāi – Minister's Office to complete

- Approved
- Noted
- Seen
- Needs amendment
- Declined
- Withdrawn
- Overtaken by events
- See Minister's notes

Comments

Head of Mission Appointments - May 2022

Pito matua – Key points

- You have indicated you wish to appoint ^{Out of scope} Trevor Mallard to the role of Ambassador of New Zealand to the Republic of Ireland.
- If approved, attached for your signature are letters and submissions to the Governor-General seeking her formal approval of the appointments.
- The Commissions of Appointment will be sent to you for your counter-signature once approved by the Governor-General.
- Subject to your views on timing considerations, the request to the ^{Out of scope} Irish Governments seeking approval (Agrément) could be submitted through our posts in ^{Out of scope} and Dublin as soon as you agree to the appointments.


 Chris Seed
 Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Tūtohu – Recommendations

It is recommended that you:


- ^{Out of scope}
- Agree** to the appointment of Trevor Colin Mallard as Ambassador of New Zealand to the Republic of Ireland. Yes / No
- Sign** the attached letters to the Governor-General and the formal submissions requesting Her Excellency's approval of the appointments. Yes / No


 Hon Nanaia Mahuta
 Minister of Foreign Affairs

Date: 08 / 06 / 2022

CURRICULUM VITAE

TREVOR COLIN MALLARD

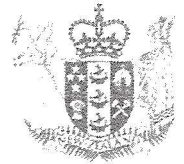
Date of Birth	s9(2)(a)	
Citizenships	New Zealand	
Languages	English	
Education	Bachelor of Commerce and Administration, Victoria University, Wellington, 1974 Diploma in Teaching, Wellington College of Education, 1976 Diploma in Continuing Education, University of Waikato, 1984	

Current Roles	
2017 – present	Speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives, Wellington List Member of Parliament
Feb 2021 – present	Chairperson of Parliamentary Service Commission
Feb 2021 – present	Chairperson of Select Committee on Officers of Parliament
Feb 2021 – present	Chairperson of Select Committee on Standing Orders
Nov 2020 – present	Chairperson of Select Committee on Business.

Previous Roles	
Oct 2014 – Oct 2017	Assistant Speaker of the House
2008 – 2017 (<i>Fifth National Government</i>)	Shadow Leader of the House Opposition spokesperson on Education, Labour, Sport and Recreation.
1999 – 2008 (<i>Fifth Labour Government</i>)	2007: Minister for the Environment, Minister of Labour, Minister of Broadcasting, Minister for State Owned Enterprises, and Associate Minister of Finance. 1999: Minister of Education, Minister of State Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation. Also became Minister Responsible for the Education Review Office, Minister for the America's Cup, Co-ordinating Minister for Race Relations, Minister of Energy.
1996 – 2017	Member of Parliament for Hutt South
1993 – 1996	Member of Parliament for Pencarrow
1984 – 1990	Member of Parliament for Hamilton West

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

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



Your Excellency

I have the honour to advise that it is the Government's intention to appoint Trevor Colin Mallard as Ambassador of New Zealand to the Republic of Ireland.

A copy of Mr Mallard's curriculum vitae is attached and I now enclose advice seeking your formal approval of this appointment. A Commission of Appointment is also enclosed for your signature.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nanaia Mahuta'.

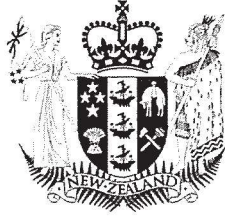
Hon Nanaia Mahuta
Minister of Foreign Affairs

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Her Excellency the Governor-General

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The Minister of Foreign Affairs
has the honour to submit for Your Excellency's
approval that

TREVOR COLIN MALLARD

be appointed
Ambassador of New Zealand to the Republic of Ireland.

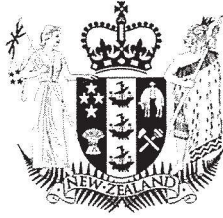
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Wellington

Approved:

Governor-General

13 '06' 2022

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Cindy Kiro

Governor-General

I, **THE RIGHT HONOURABLE DAME CINDY KIRO**, Chancellor and Principal Dame Grand Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit, Principal Companion of The Queen's Service Order, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Realm of New Zealand, exercising powers assigned to me by Her Majesty The Queen of New Zealand, and all other powers me thereunto enabling, hereby appoint **TREVOR COLIN MALLARD** to be Ambassador of New Zealand to the Republic of Ireland.

Given under the Hand of Her Excellency The Governor-General of
New Zealand, and issued under the Seal of New Zealand

this 13 day of *June* 2022

By Her Excellency's Command,

Nanaia

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Out of scope

From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR)
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Subject: RE: Hom announcement Ireland - draft PR for MFA's office

Thanks Rob.

Susan – are you able to please take this forward with MFA's office? Happy to provide further input from EUR if required.

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Thanks
Nick

Nicholas Walbridge ([he/him](#)) | Unit Manager (Acting) | Europe Division | MFAT | T s9(2)(a)

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Cc: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD) <Susan.Pepperell@mfat.govt.nz>; JUDSON, Alastair (EUR) <Alastair.Judson@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: Hom announcement Ireland - draft PR

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Nick. That all looks good. On timing, Brad's last day will be 19 January, so suggest the press release simply reference 'late January' as the date he will take up the posting.

Rob

From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) <Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>
Sent: Friday, 12 August 2022 10:55 AM
To: TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA) <Rob.Taylor@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD) <Susan.Pepperell@mfat.govt.nz>; JUDSON, Alastair (EUR) <Alastair.Judson@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Hom announcement Ireland - draft PR

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Morning Rob

As mentioned, we are working on the draft PR for HOM DUB's announcement. (For ref, Bede's recent [WSH PR here.](#))

Your thoughts on this one welcome, thanks:

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Susan: we'll be in touch on next steps, although Monday might be more realistic to get this draft to the Minister's office.

Thanks
Nick

Nicholas Walbridge ([he/him](#)) | Unit Manager (Acting) | Europe Division | MFAT | T s9(2)(a)

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Cc: VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: Hom announcement Ireland

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Nick – could you fix the weather please? That would be really helpful....

Re timing for the announcement – are you able to get it done by the end of the week please? If that's impossible let me know but I'd really like to get it over to MFA's office as soon as I can,

Thanks
Susan

From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) <Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>
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To: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD) <Susan.Pepperell@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc: VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Hom announcement Ireland

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Morning Susan – I can take this one forward at our end. Can we just check what your timeline is on this one?

Thanks – hope you're doing well (despite the weather and everything...)

Nick

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From: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD) <Susan.Pepperell@mfat.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 9 August 2022 4:33 pm
To: MACPHERSON, Taha (EUR) <Taha.MacPherson@mfat.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurensen@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: Hom announcement Ireland

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Si'alei,

Attached is the basic draft template for the press release on the new HOM for Ireland. Can you please add a paragraph on NZ's relationship with Ireland and let me know when that's done?

Then I'll send it off to MFA's office as they will want to put their own comments in this one...

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Many thanks

Susan

Susan Pepperell

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From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR)
Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 2:48 pm
To:LANGLEY, Chris (Inet) <Chris.Langley@parliament.govt.nz>
Cc:BEADLE, Andrea (Inet) <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>; MACPHERSON, Taha (EUR) <Taha.MacPherson@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

Super – thanks Chris! That's great to hear.

Copying Taha for visibility on this as well.

We will give Brad in Dublin a heads up tonight in our regular catch up as well that this might be coming.

Thanks
Nick

Nicholas Walbridge ([he/him](#)) | Unit Manager (Acting) | Europe Division | MFAT | T s9(2)(a)

From:LANGLEY, Chris (Inet) <Chris.Langley@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 2:13 pm
To: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) <Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc:BEADLE, Andrea (Inet) <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

Hi again

Good news. Our press sec went ahead and shared a copy of the draft with Mr Mallard. He was happy with it and only made one very minor suggestion. Therefore, no action required from EUR on that.

Just waiting on PM's sign off and we will be good to go for release tomorrow afternoon (likely to be around 1.45pm, to time with some processes in the House).

Regards
Chris

From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) [<mailto:Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>]
Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 10:04 AM
To: Chris Langley <Chris.Langley@parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: Andrea Beadle <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

[SEEMAIL] [RESTRICTED]

Thanks for the update, Chris, sounds good.

We'll share the draft with Mallard when we hear back.

Ngā mihi
Nick

Nicholas Walbridge ([he/him](#)) | Unit Manager (Acting) | Europe Division | MFAT | T s9(2)(a)

From:LANGLEY, Chris (Inet) <Chris.Langley@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 9:41 am
To: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) <Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc:BEADLE, Andrea (Inet) <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

Hi Nick

We have a draft approved by MFA, but now the PM is keen to have a look. Will let you once that is sorted.

Chris

From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) [<mailto:Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>]
Sent: Monday, 22 August 2022 12:31 PM
To: Chris Langley <Chris.Langley@parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: Andrea Beadle <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

[SEEMAIL] [RESTRICTED]

Thanks Chris – much appreciated. We'll share the draft with Mallard when you're in a position to send the revised version back to us.

Ngā mihi
Nick

From:LANGLEY, Chris (Inet) <Chris.Langley@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 18 August 2022 3:08 pm
To: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) <Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>; PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD) <Susan.Pepperell@mfat.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc:BEADLE, Andrea (Inet) <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

Hi Nick

Yes in principle to sharing a draft, but it is still working through the system here. MFA herself is unlikely to look at it until this weekend, given her travel this week. Once we have a near final version we will share with you to pass on to Mr Mallard.

regards
Chris

From: Andrea Beadle
Sent: Thursday, 18 August 2022 2:57 PM
To: Chris Langley <Chris.Langley@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

Hi Chris - do you have a view on this one? (Since its about appointments).

From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR) [<mailto:Nicholas.Walbridge@mfat.govt.nz>]
Sent: Thursday, 18 August 2022 2:37 PM
To: Andrea Beadle <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD) <Susan.Pepperell@mfat.govt.nz>; VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: HOM designate DUB: PR announcement

[SEEMAIL] [IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Andrea

We are in touch with Speaker Mallard on various details related to his pre-posting before his departure for Dublin early in the new year.

Last week, working with CMD, we worked on a draft PR from MFA for the announcement – which I think might have been due to go out around 24 August.

Mr Mallard is asking if he could please have a chance to review the draft before it is issued. Is this something your office is in touch with the Speaker on directly, or would you like MFAT to transact with him?

Thanks – happy to chat.

Nick

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From: WALBRIDGE, Nicholas (EUR)
Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 5:47 pm
To: BURGESS, Brad (DUB) <Bradley.Burgess@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Nanaia Mahuta PR: Ambassador to Ireland appointed

Hi Brad – as below, we just got word that this has gone out.

Nicholas Walbridge ([he/him](#)) | Unit Manager (Acting) | Europe Division | MFAT | T s9(2)(a)

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Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 5:45 pm
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Cc:BEADLE, Andrea (Inet) <Andrea.Beadle@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Nanaia Mahuta PR: Ambassador to Ireland appointed

Fyi just sent.

From: Kathryn Street
Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 5:35 PM
Subject: Nanaia Mahuta PR: Ambassador to Ireland appointed

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

Minister of Foreign Affairs
Minita Take Aorere



23 August 2022

PĀNUI PĀPĀHO
MEDIA STATEMENT

Ambassador to Ireland appointed

Foreign Affairs Minister Nanaia Mahuta today announced the appointment of outgoing Speaker of Parliament Trevor Mallard as the next Ambassador to Ireland.

“The people of Aotearoa New Zealand and Ireland enjoy warm and close links. Our two countries have extensive family, cultural, historical and, of course, sporting connections that ground our strong friendship,” Nanaia Mahuta said.

“Our shared values and enduring commitment to the rules-based international system, particularly at this challenging time, make Aotearoa New Zealand and Ireland natural partners on the world stage.

“As New Zealand’s second resident Ambassador to Ireland since the opening of our Embassy in Dublin in 2018, I am delighted that the strong relationship between our countries will continue to be in excellent hands with the appointment of Mr Mallard,” Nanaia Mahuta said.

Mr Mallard has been Speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives since 2017 and a Member of Parliament for 35 years.

Over that time he has held 13 Ministerial portfolios, including Education, Labour, State Services and the Rugby World Cup. He announced his resignation from Parliament in June and will be the third of the five most recent Speakers to represent New Zealand overseas in a diplomatic posting.

“Ireland has made a significant contribution to the fabric of Aotearoa New Zealand’s society, with one in six New Zealanders able to claim Irish heritage,” Nanaia Mahuta said.

“Our countries share a great deal in common as principled, independently-minded and outward looking nations. We co-operate on issues such as climate change, disarmament, and peace & security issues.

“We also look forward to our strong agricultural, trade and economic links deepening further in the coming years, including in light of the recent conclusion of the New Zealand – European Union Free Trade Agreement negotiations. Ireland’s continuing support for the FTA has been appreciated,” Nanaia Mahuta said.

Mr Mallard is expected to take up his role in January 2023.

ENDS

Media contact: Myrah Walters ^{s9(2)(a)} or Kathryn Street ^{s9(2)(a)}

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Subject: MFA/CE and Senior Officials Meeting - 29 August 2022 - File Note/Actions
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[RESTRICTED]

MFA/CE and Senior Officials Meeting – 29 August 2022

Attendees

- MFA, Chris Langley, Jess Thorn, Mike Naylor, Andrea Beadle, Kathryn Street
- MFAT: CE, Ben King, Mark Sinclair, Bernadette Cavanagh, Richard Griffith, Rachel McLean

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- CE flagged that with the announcement of **Trevor Mallard's appointment as HOM Dublin**, MFAT would recruit internally for a DHOM to support.

Ngā mihi
Rachel

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From: TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA)
Sent: Wednesday, 20 April 2022 11:03 am
To: SEED, Chris (CEO); TAYLOR, Peter (PEP); HARRIS, Rodney (PRD)
Cc: MARTIN, Nicola (PRD); MACPHERSON, Taha (EUR); SONERSON, Audrey (DCE PO); GEELS, Deborah (DS AAG); KING, Ben (DCE); LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office)
Subject: RE: HOMS^{Out of scope}, Dublin^{Out of scope}

Security Classification:
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[SENSITIVE]

Subsequent to the message below, I have now connected with both^{Out of scope} Trevor Mallard and conveyed where we are at with the various bits of paperwork and run through with them the various processes involved – formal and from an MFAT transfers perspective. Both will be looking to wind-up their current functions in and around early October. The Speaker indicated that he was anticipating the PM would be looking to make an announcement in June or early July on his departure from Parliament^{Out of scope}

On timing, both have indicated that they were looking to take up their roles in early January 2023 which I confirmed would work well from an MFAT perspective. Working back from that timeframe, I suggested we would likely look to undertake an on-boarding and pre-posting programme in November rather than in December when things got too busy.

Apart from a good deal of enthusiasm for their forthcoming assignments, there were no unexpected questions. Both asked about the briefing(s) provided, current staffing arrangements and the timeframe of the posting (I indicated normally 3 years for such appointments, but this would need to be confirmed and would be set out in the letter of offer).^{Out of scope}^{Out of scope}

I agreed that I would remain the point of contact going forward and would keep them updated on developments etc. Finally given the already close media interest I stressed to both the need to observe strict confidentiality until after there was a public announcement. Best laid plans.

Rob

Rob Taylor (He/Him)

Deputy Secretary
Europe, Middle East and Africa, Australia Group
New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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Subject: HOMs ^{Out of scope} Dublin ^{Out of scope}

[SENSITIVE]

Morena All

I've had several exchanges with MFA over recent days which provide an action list for managing the ^{Out of scope} and Dublin appointments:

Out of scope

DUBLIN

- MFA has confirmed that Trevor Mallard will be the nominee;
- The Minister's expectation is that he will take up the position at the scheduled conclusion of Brad Burgess's assignment (i.e. end 2022) (**Rob** – you can signal this to Brad)
- MFA has agreed Rob can talk to Mallard about timings (action: **Rob**)
- In the meantime, but not urgent, the letters of offer and the agreement paperwork can be prepared. (action: **PEP and PRD**).
- s9(2)(g)(i)

For the moment Rob remains the conduit to ^{Out of scope} Trevor. Thanks Rob!

Ngā mihi

Chris Seed ([he/him](#))

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From: SEED, Chris (CEO)
Sent: Friday, 19 August 2022 7:23 am
To: MCLEAN, Rachel (CEO Office)
Cc: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office)
Subject: FW: Irish Times article speculating on new Ambassador [SEC=IN CONFIDENCE]

[IN CONFIDENCE]

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From: BURGESS, Brad (DUB) <Bradley.Burgess@mfat.govt.nz>
Date: Friday, 19 Aug 2022, 06:19
To: TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA) <Rob.Taylor@mfat.govt.nz>, VAN TOOR, Si'alei (EUR) <Si'alei.VanToor@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc: MACPHERSON, Taha (EUR) <Taha.MacPherson@mfat.govt.nz>, KING, Ben (DCE) <Ben.King@mfat.govt.nz>, SEED, Chris (CEO) <Chris.Seed@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: Irish Times article speculating on new Ambassador [SEC=IN CONFIDENCE]

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Rob, Si'a

I wanted to flag the below to you both. Appeared in today's Irish Times. Published online and on page 7 of the print. It has given rise to plenty of personal messages today, so it is getting picked up fairly widely.

Of note is the reaching out by the journalist to the Leader of the Opposition and ACT leader for comment, which they were forthcoming with.

There has been no other media speculation, interest or requests so far.

Brad

Decision on NZ's next ambassador to Ireland criticised

RONAN MCGREEVY

A decision to appoint the controversial former speaker of the New Zealand parliament as the country's next ambassador to Ireland would be disrespectful, it has been claimed.

Trevor Mallard (68) was the speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives from 2017 until this month. He is New Zealand's longest-serving MP and has had several ministerial roles in Labour governments.

He is resigning this month to take up a diplomatic posting in Europe. That posting has not yet been announced, but there are strong rumours in New Zealand that it will be to Ireland.

The leader of one of the main opposition parties in New Zealand told The Irish Times he was “flabbergasted” that Mr Mallard would be considered for a diplomatic role.

ACT New Zealand leader David Seymour said he believes Mr Mallard has a “long political rap sheet”.

He has been embroiled in a number of incidents going back to 2002 when he told two International Rugby Board officials that he would insert beer bottles in “uncomfortable places” in a row over the co-hosting of the 2003 Rugby World Cup. In 2007 he apologised after punching an opposition MP outside the debating chamber.

Ally of Ardern

Last year, he apologised for falsely accusing a parliamentary staff member of rape. In June, an opinion poll found that just 17 per cent of New Zealanders approved of him as speaker.

A Labour ally of prime minister Jacinda Ardern, he has long been targeted by the opposition in New Zealand.

“Some of us have described him as an inappropriate person to be the speaker and the rumour mill is that he is going to be sent to Dublin as a representative of our country to yours,” Mr Seymour said. “Some of us who have had to deal with him over the years are frankly astonished. If we were in government, we would show a lot more respect to Ireland and appoint somebody more appropriate to be a diplomat.

“The best theory I can come up with is that she [Ms Ardern] wanted to send him somewhere and at least the Irish have a sense of humour.”

A spokesman for Ms Ardern said that formal announcement will be made in due course.

[Decision on NZ’s next ambassador to Ireland criticised](#)

From: SEED, Chris (CEO)
Sent: Friday, 26 August 2022 12:50 pm
To: ...WLN SLT
Subject: RE: Political Roundup: Mallard's diplomatic appointment lacks integrity

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From: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurenson@mfat.govt.nz>
Sent: Friday, 26 August 2022 12:42 pm
To: SEED, Chris (CEO) <Chris.Seed@mfat.govt.nz>; MCLEAN, Rachel (CEO Office) <Rachel.McLean@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Political Roundup: Mallard's diplomatic appointment lacks integrity

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From: s9(2)(a)
Sent: Friday, 26 August 2022 12:21 PM
To: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurenson@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: Political Roundup: Mallard's diplomatic appointment lacks integrity

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Political Roundup: Mallard's diplomatic appointment lacks integrity

Trevor Mallard is widely regarded as the worst Speaker of Parliament the country has ever had. He has always been a controversial and divisive figure, prone to temper tantrums and nasty attacks, but in his role as Speaker he has seriously botched a number of issues he has been responsible for.

A recent 1News opinion poll found only 17 per cent of the public approved of the way Mallard was doing his job. He had to go because he was causing too much reputational damage to both the institution of Parliament and to the Labour Government, and so he has finally been eased out of Parliament's top job.

However rather than simply being kicked out, his close friend and colleague, Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern, has organised something of a promotion for him. Mallard has been made New Zealand's Ambassador to Ireland. It's an elegant solution for the Labour Government, as they get to remove an increasing problem for them without causing Mallard to lose face.

Mallard's new job is a crony political appointment. It goes against the ethos of New Zealand public service values in which public servants are selected based on political neutrality and professionalism. Instead, he's been selected because of his political connections, and as a way to get rid of an embarrassment.

The Public Service Act passed in 1912 was supposed to prevent this type of behaviour by our politicians. This landmark legislation came after years of government ministers rewarding their mates and supporters with plum civil service jobs. After years of such patronage and cronyism, New Zealand's new rules were meant to prevent corruption.

In recent years there's been a weakening of these rules, with governments of all stripes increasingly using taxpayer-funded positions to reward their own side. This has been especially apparent in diplomacy, because the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade has a number of plum, high-status positions that can be bestowed on former politicians.

This isn't to say that politicians should never be appointed as ambassadors or high commissioners to foreign postings. Some former politicians have the skills to undertake these jobs very competently. The problem is these appointments are not carried out in a professional and robust way which ensures they win their new jobs on merit.

If the politicians went through the proper channels of applying for advertised jobs, in an open and competitive process, then their appointments would have greater legitimacy. Instead, the official recruitment rules of the Ministry are waived aside by ruling politicians, the appointments are made in secret, and the ability to dole out such plum jobs are therefore treated as the spoils of office.

Unfortunately, this cronyism has been increasing in recent decades, with appointments of varying degrees of merit, but always without any transparent and professional process. Mike Moore and Jim Bolger were appointed as New Zealand's ambassadors to Washington. Former parliamentary speakers Jonathan Hunt and Lockwood Smith were appointed as High Commissioners to London. And it's rumoured that Phil Goff is next in line to be New Zealand's representative in the UK. Of course, Ardern's close friend and mentor, Annette King, was also appointed as High Commissioner to Australia.

The diplomatic patronage trend is particularly dodgy when governments have created entirely new jobs with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, in an apparent attempt to get rid of politicians in a way that serves the electoral interests of the parties in power. This was first seen in 2014 when Foreign Minister and National Party election strategist Murray McCully created a plum job called “Pacific Economic Ambassador” for opposition MP Shane Jones. The Labour politician had been a particularly effective critic and campaigner against the National Government, and so the Jones appointment was seen as a very astute move to increase National chances of re-election that year.

This year, Foreign Minister Nanaia Mahuta created a new job of Pacific Gender Equality Ambassador for her friend Louisa Wall. Wall had fallen out with the Labour Party leadership and there were intense internal party controversies involving the rogue MP. Finding her a new job ensured Labour would be rid of a destabilising political problem.

Since Wall’s departure in April, revelations from MFAT show that officials had reservations about creating the new job for Wall. Internal documents released to journalist Sam Sachdeva show that the “Labour MP’s new diplomatic role was set up despite officials’ concern about duplicating existing work and getting offside with Pacific leaders expecting more senior engagement”. Similarly, Māori TV reported on the ethics of the appointment, revealing that “it has emerged that Pacific Island nations never asked for such an ambassador.”

Some argue that the appointment of such former politicians is entirely justifiable, as the personnel are especially talented and skilled in diplomacy. Some commentators even make this case for Trevor Mallard, although given his track record it is hardly convincing.

Regardless of the merits and drawbacks of the individual politicians as diplomats, New Zealand’s reputation for low levels of corruption in the public service needs to be better protected. If ruling politicians want to make the case for a change in the rules about the appointment process of public servants, then they should do so transparently rather than slowly but surely reducing the integrity of New Zealand’s political system.

This is a trend that is now too advanced to be ignored.

Further reading on Trevor Mallard's appointment as Irish ambassador, Adrian Rurawhe's appointment as Speaker

Damien Venuto (Herald): [Is Trevor Mallard suited to being Irish ambassador?](#)

RNZ: [Winston Peters hits out at Trevor Mallard's posting to Ireland](#)

Richard Harman: [The tortuous saga of the Peters-Mallard grudge match \(paywalled\)](#)

Ben Thomas (Spinoff): [The two sides of Trevor Mallard](#)

No Right Turn: [Mallard and crony appointments](#)

Claire Trevett (Herald): ['Not his first calling': Christopher Luxon's verdict on Trevor Mallard's move to ambassador in Ireland](#)

Mark Quinlivan (Newshub): [Christopher Luxon reacts to Trevor Mallard's appointment as Ireland Ambassador, voices support for Adrian Rurawhe](#)

RNZ: [Speaker apologises for issuing Winston Peters with trespass notice](#)

John MacDonald (Herald): [Trevor Mallard gets 2-out-of-10 from me](#)

David Farrar: [My confession: I like Trevor](#)

Jamie Ensor (Newshub): [New Speaker Adrian Rurawhe threatens to give Opposition more chances to question ministers if Government doesn't change tack](#)

RNZ: [New Speaker Adrian Rurawhe stresses he will be 'fair' when presiding](#)

Glenn McConnell (Stuff): [Cross-party support for Adrian Rurawhe as Speaker, after a controversial predecessor](#)

Jacob McSweeney (Herald): [Te Tai Hauāuru MP Adrian Rurawhe elected Speaker of the House of Representatives](#)

Cathy Odgers: [Grant Robertson slams new Speaker Rurawhe's abortion stance](#)

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From: SEED, Chris (CEO)
Sent: Sunday, 28 August 2022 7:07 pm
To: KING, Ben (DCE); SONERSON, Audrey (DCE PO); SINCLAIR, Mark (DS TEG)
Cc: MCLEAN, Rachel (CEO Office)
Subject: Out of scope

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Ps (Will also be mentioning to MFA, and we'll put in a para in next week's weekly, that now T Mallard has been announced we'll start the process of recruiting a suitable DHOM ... with the all the additional and unfunded costs that come with that ...).

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FW: Nanaia Mahuta PR: Ambassador to Ireland appointed

From: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office)
To: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD)

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From: Kathryn Street <Kathryn.Street@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 23 August 2022 5:35 PM
Subject: Nanaia Mahuta PR: Ambassador to Ireland appointed

Hon Nanaia Mahuta



Minister of Foreign Affairs
Minita Take Aorere

23 August 2022

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MEDIA STATEMENT

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"As New Zealand's second resident Ambassador to Ireland since the opening of our Embassy in Dublin in 2018, I am delighted that the strong relationship between our countries will

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To: MCLEAN, Rachel (CEO Office)

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Ooh it's out...

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Tuesday, 16 August 2022

From: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD)

To: MEDIA

Bcc: ...ADAMS, Hannah (Inet);MEAD, Chris (CMD);...BEADLE, Andrea (Inet);SOLVANDER, Brett;...BARRINGTON, Emily (Inet);...GUERMANOFF, Guergana (Inet);...HOOKER, Jane (Inet);...THORN, Jessica (Inet);CARTER, Cas;CON;CUTLER, Andrew (CMD);GLOVER, Daniel (CMD);LEE, Julie-Anne;LOAN, Ruth (DEVPP);NORTHCOTT, Rosemary;OCE;RANDA (CMD);RUSH, Gabrielle (CON);...DELANY,Ruth (Inet);THORNBOR, Owen (ESD);...MASTERS, Alexandra (Inet);ROBERTSON, Pio (CMD);OUIRKE, Michelle (CMD);PETERS, Sonya (CMD)

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**Rātu 16 Ākuhata 2022
Tuesday 16 August 2022**

Media inquiries

The Irish Times (Ronan McGreevy) asked whether rumours were correct that Speaker Trevor Mallard was to be appointed New Zealand's next Ambassador to Ireland. We responded: We do not comment on diplomatic appointments until the formal processes with the receiving country are completed.

Social media

MFA:



<https://twitter.com/NanaiaMahuta/status/1559050628944789504>

MDAC:

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RE: Trevor Mallard- media line.

From: MEDIA
To: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office);MEDIA;MCLEAN, Rachel (CPCD)

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Thanks Amy – I'll change it to the standard line...

From: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurenson@mfat.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 16 August 2022 10:34 am
To: MEDIA <media@mfat.govt.nz>; MCLEAN, Rachel (CPCD) <Rachel.McLean@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: Trevor Mallard- media line.

[UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi there- looks fine - for reference the standard line for **all dip appointments** - i.e. the one the PM/MFA have already used for all media enquiries on this and others to date:

- "I/We don't comment on any diplomatic appointments until the formal processes with the receiving country are completed".
- Follow up if required- "that can take several months"

Essentially the same thing but the one above is the line MFA office and PMO use.

For purposes of HOM transition- Once the announcement goes out, all media enquiries about Trevor and the appointment should be responded to in first instance by MFA office & anything about the T&Cs he is under (standard Ministry T&C, can be answered by MFAT as an operational matter).

Thanks,
Amy.

From: MEDIA <media@mfat.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 16 August 2022 8:55 AM
To: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurenson@mfat.govt.nz>; MCLEAN, Rachel (CPCD) <Rachel.McLean@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Trevor Mallard

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Hi Amy and Rachel,

This media inquiry has come in below. Our draft response is:

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 **HOM Ireland appointment**

From: PEPPERELL, Susan (CMD)
To: Myrah Walters
Cc: ...LANGLEY, Chris (Inet);LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office);MACPHERSON, Taha (EUR)

[HOM IRELAND.docx](#) (45 Kb [HTML](#))

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Myrah,

The third in our recent trifecta of Head of Mission announcements – this is the Ireland appointment ready from our end and now attached.

Thanks
Susan

Susan Pepperell

MFAT Media

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RE: Draft OIA response for your approval - Trevor Mallard Ireland [Office OIA's]**From:** LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office)**To:** MACKIE, Kendra (ESD) **[UNCLASSIFIED]**

Hi there - yes looks fine. Sign out would be Taha MacPherson and then Rob Taylor.

From: MACKIE, Kendra (ESD) <Kendra.Mackie@mfat.govt.nz>**Sent:** Friday, 17 June 2022 10:56 AM**To:** LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurenson@mfat.govt.nz>**Subject:** Draft OIA response for your approval - Trevor Mallard Ireland [Office OIA's]**[UNCLASSIFIED]**

Hi,

I drafted up the attached with reference to the media lines we provided, can you please let me know if you are ok with the proposed response?

Due to the way the request is worded it's just about the Ambassador role to Ireland in general so we don't need to address any info regarding his comments on Trevor Mallard

Response s9(2)(k)

Thanks!

Kendra Mackie (she/her)

Senior Adviser
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✉ [HOM DUB - draft contract SIC](#)

From: LAURENSON, Amy (CEO Office)
To: TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA)
Cc: MITCHELL, Julie (PEP)

[Mallard Trevor - Fixed-Term Offer Letter Ambassador Dublin April-2022.docx](#) (110 Kb [HTML](#))

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi there,

Please find attached the draft contract for HOM Dublin.

- It has reporting line to DM Europe;
- Standard T&Cs;
- For sign out by Rob (once you're happy with it)
- To note it refers to lots of attachments which are standard (e.g. Superannuation, Code of Conduct etc that need to go with it or shortly thereafter).
- Suggest keeping you Rob as the conduit with TM for now.

Julie – this has the same changes that were in the ^{Out of scope} one this morning – re the “don't tell anyone” sentence; and ref to Agreement taking months.

Thanks both,
Amy.

Amy Laurensen (she/her)

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Mallard Trevor - Fixed-Term Offer Letter Ambassador Dublin April-2022.docx (113 Kb [HTML](#)) **Out of scope**
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[IN CONFIDENCE]Ngā mihi | Kind regards
Sophie**Sophie Griffiths**Executive Assistant
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From: MITCHELL, Julie (PEP)

To: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office)

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[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Amy,

Here are the letters, note the dates have been updated to reflect signing today. I wasn't sure how long we wanted to give them to accept, bearing in mind a bit of time will be needed. At this stage it's a week as highlighted on page 3, but thinking about this now I think 2 weeks would be better. Do you have any thoughts?

I have requested ^{Out of scope} email address from Rob as I think he has it. I have also requested the accompanying documents and pay profile to go with these offers. If Chris could sign and Peter for the delivery to individuals.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Julie Mitchell (she/her)*

Head of Global Careers

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From: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurenson@mfat.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 8 June 2022 3:45 PM

To: MARTIN, Nicola (PRD) <Nicola.Martin@mfat.govt.nz>; MITCHELL, Julie (PEP) <Julie.Mitchell@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: HOM Appointments x 2- Next steps.

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Nicola and Julie,

MFA has signed the submission for ^{Out of scope} Dublin. I have the hard copy with me.

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RE: paperwork for MFA

From: MARTIN, Nicola (PRD)
To: LAURENSON, Amy (CEO Office)
Cc: MITCHELL, Julie (PEP)

[NZ HOM Sub to MFA - May 2022.docx](#) (101 Kb [HTML](#))

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Amy

Yes, I have the hard copies all ready to go.

Here is the sub covering both appointments. Not sure if you wanted to get this printed and signed and I could pick up the hard copy from you so I can attach the other docs and the last CV but all ready.

Thanks
Nicola

From: LAURENSON, Amy (CEO Office) <Amy.Laurenson@mfat.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 17 May 2022 10:52 am
To: MARTIN, Nicola (PRD) <Nicola.Martin@mfat.govt.nz>
Cc: MITCHELL, Julie (PEP) <Julie.Mitchell@mfat.govt.nz>
Subject: paperwork for MFA

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Nicola- Out of scope , however CE has advised MFA that we have the paperwork for ^{Out} /DUB ready to go when she requires them.
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Just to check you have the finals of the agreement docs (so we're ready to go if short turnaround).

Cheers,
Amy.

Amy Laurenson (she/her)

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✉ **HOM Sub to MFA- May 22- SIC**

From: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office)
To: MARTIN, Nicola (PRD)
Cc: MITCHELL, Julie (PEP)

HOM Sub to MFA April 22.docx (104 Kb [HTML](#))

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hi Nicola,

As discussed, can you please save and amend this submission into what you need, and I'll ask CE to sign.

We can then have it all ready to go, sitting in PEP for auctioning as required.

Thanks,

Amy.

Amy Laurensen (she/her)

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April HOM Sub for MFA

From: MITCHELL, Julie (PEP)
To: LAURENSEN, Amy (CEO Office)

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Kia ora Amy,

Attached is the draft sub for these placements, it's quite short. Is this what you had in mind?

The letters are with Conor ready to go once the sub is signed. As Rob is away I'll work to coordinate the physical logistics getting the letters to candidates. Peter is hoping to be bac a good option dependent on timing.

Is this sub ok?

Ngā manaakitanga,

Julie Mitchell (she/her)*

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