



Office of Hon Christopher Finlayson

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Brett Mainwaring
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Dear Mr Mainwaring

Official Information Request Relating to Special US Liaison Officers

I refer to your official information request of 5 October 2014 to the Minister Responsible for the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) that asked:

“Is there a Special US Liaison Officer operating in New Zealand?

If so:

- *What is their purpose?*
- *How long has this position existed?*

Does a Special New Zealand Liaison Officer operate inside the United States?

If so:

- *What is their purpose?*
- *How long has this position existed?”*

Your request appears to be more closely connected with the responsibilities and functions of the GCSB. Accordingly, I am transferring your request to the GCSB under section 14 of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

J.N. Christmas
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