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Aaron Livingston

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Dear Mr Livingston

Official Information Act Request for Communications Between the Prime Minister and President of the United States of America

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 13 October 2014 for *“(All) Typed, Hand Written, and Emails (To and From) between You and Barack Hussein Obama, from January 1st 2012 to October 11th 2014”*.

The information identified as relevant to your request has been withheld in its entirety under the following sections of the Official Information Act:

- Section 6(a) as the making available of that information would be likely *“to prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand”*.
- Section 6(b) as the making available of that information would be likely *“to prejudice the entrusting of information to the Government of New Zealand on a basis of confidence by-*
 - (i) the Government of any other country or any agency of such a Government.*
 - (ii) any international organisation.”*

You are entitled to ask the Ombudsman to review this response under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

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Chief of Staff