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Tēnā koe Chris McCashin

I refer to your email of 17 November 2022 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

As you are probably aware the corrupt USA uniparty despite being bankrupt is sending millions / billions of dollars to Ukraine to fund a war that if you were to ask the American people they wouldn't support securing Ukraines border when their own border is being intentionally left open to destabilize their country. Now if anybody knows history, this is what they do given the Afghanistan war was also a big laundry operation creating an endless war to launder funds (amongst other things) to enrich themselves whilst sending Americans to die.

President Zelensky also just called for peace talks on Monday. This randomly coincided with FTX Cryptocurrency going bankrupt.

Amid the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the CEO of FTX, came forward to help a crypto donation project. He announced that FTX will be supporting the Ukrainian Ministry of Finance and other communities in collecting crypto donations for the country. The Ukrainian government has received over \$60 million in crypto donations from all over the world. It appears FTX is a very big donor to American politicians with the CEO donating millions of dollars to American politicians this last election cycle. FTX was also a partner listed on WEF which has conveniently disappeared. Following the investigation into FTX a bomb suddenly lands in Poland a NATO country. So as this money laundering operation is exposed conveniently somebody is trying to start a war as a distraction.

Please provide

- all funds, equipment, dollar value of any money, goods sent to Ukraine*
- chain of goods given - where money and goods go eg money trail - through NGOs*
- legal memos completed ensuring and donations comply with AML laws*
- any and all funds sent through WEF or it's partners*
- Nanaia Mahuta has also announced 20m in reparations (something different) but please provide an itemized list of where this money is earmarked for and compliance with AML laws*

Please find our responses to each of your questions below:

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Aotearoa New Zealand has joined international efforts to provide military assistance to Ukraine's self-defence against Russia's invasion, economic and humanitarian efforts to support Ukraine and its people respond to the humanitarian crisis caused by Russia, and diplomatic and international

legal accountability efforts to end the conflict and hold Russia and decision-makers to account. A full list of military, humanitarian, and economic and international legal accountability support, including dollar value, is on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade's (the Ministry) website here: [Russian invasion of Ukraine | New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade \(mfat.govt.nz\)](https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/our-work/ukraine/russian-invasion-of-ukraine)

Legal memos completed ensuring and donations comply with AML laws

Aotearoa New Zealand, and its international partners, work towards a financial system free from criminal abuse, keeping communities safe from the harms of crime and protecting the trust in the financial system. The purpose of the Anti-Money Laundering and Countering Financing of Terrorism Act 2009 (the AML/CFT Act) is to:

- detect and deter money laundering and the financing of terrorism;
- maintain and enhance New Zealand's international reputation; and
- contribute to public confidence in the financial system.

The AML/CFT Act provides the legal framework for Aotearoa New Zealand's regulatory and reporting functions, including setting out the risk based requirements that reporting entities must establish and maintain, and their reporting obligations. There are three Aotearoa New Zealand AML/CFT supervisory agencies: The Department of Internal Affairs (DIA), the Reserve Bank of New Zealand (RBNZ) and the Financial Markets Authority (FMA). Each agency assesses and reviews the level of money laundering and terrorism financing risk across the reporting entities they supervise and monitors and enforces reporting entities' compliance with the AML/CFT Act. Reporting entities must report suspicious activity to the NZ Police and submit prescribed transaction reports. As such, legal memos and donations relevant to AML/CFT are not applicable in this instance.

Any and all funds sent through WEF or it's partners

Aotearoa New Zealand has not sent any funding through the World Economic Forum or its partners to Ukraine.

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From the information you have provided, the Ministry has not been able to identify what announcement you are referring to. If you provide us with further information in order to identify this announcement we can investigate this further.

Please note that we may publish this letter (with your personal details redacted) on the Ministry's website.

If you have any questions about this decision, you can contact us by email at: DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade