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Dear James

**OIA 23-24-02: PM's trip to China**

I refer to your request on 12 July 2023 to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) in which you request for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

1. *Under the OIA please detail the total number of press gallery members accompanying the PM on his trip to China and the corresponding numbers for each media organisation.*
2. *Please provide the total number of media inclusive of camera operators/support crew/other media.*
3. *Please provide total costs and expenses if any, incurred by the media on this trip. This should include any charges for flights even if nominal amounts, food/beverages provided to media, accommodations if any etc.*
4. *Please provide the details for each member of the accompanying company trade delegation. For example. Greg Foran Air NZ.*
5. *Please provide the total cost of the non government employee, business component of the trade delegation. Accommodation/ food/flights etc.*
6. *Please provide details if an alternative travel option to the NZDF aircraft was investigated or discussed, such as commercial flights/charter aircraft etc.*

On 7 August 2023, DPMC notified you that they had transferred your questions 4 and 5 to New Zealand Trade and Enterprise (NZTE) under section 14(b)(i) of the OIA. Answers to your questions are as follows.

**Question Four** - Please provide the details for each member of the accompanying company trade delegation. For example. Greg Foran Air NZ.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Company</b>
Abby Ye	CE	Synlait
Andy Borland	Chair and Board Director	Primary Collaboration NZ Ltd/Scales Corporation Ltd
Brett O'Reilly	CEO	Employers and Manufacturers Association
Bruce Cameron	Chair	Zespri International Ltd
Carrie Hurihanganui	CEO	Auckland International Airport
Clive Ormerod	CE	Les Mills International Ltd
David Banfield	Group CEO	Comvita Limited
Dean Hall	Owner	Rocketwerkz
Fran O'Sullivan	Managing Director	NZ Inc Ltd
Grant Webster	CEO	Tourism Holdings Limited
Greg Foran	CEO	Air New Zealand
Jamie Tuuta	Chair	Sealord Group Ltd
John McKinnon	Chair	NZ China Council
John van der Zwan	Executive Director	SIEBA

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Justin Watson	CEO	Christchurch International Airport
Kim Renner	Executive Director	English NZ
Lulu (Louie) Li	CEO	The Beauty Lab Collective
Pania Tyson-Nathan	CEO	NZ Māori Tourism
Peter McBride	Chair	Fonterra Co-Operative Group Ltd
Peter Winder	Chief Executive	Te Pūkenga
Prof Frank Bloomfield	Professor	University of Auckland
Richard Wyeth	CEO	Westland Milk Products
Sally Gallagher	CEO	Apollo Foods Ltd
Shane Kingston	GM Sales & Marketing	Alliance
Simon Limmer	CE	Silver Fern Farms Ltd
Sir Richard Taylor	CE	Weta Workshop Limited
Tyrone McAuley	Chief Operating Officer	PikPok
Wiremu Doherty	CEO	Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi

**Question Five** - Please provide the total cost of the non-government employee, business component of the trade delegation. Accommodation/ food/flights etc.

The total cost of the non-government employee, business component of the trade delegation (business delegation) was \$ 44,032.

This amount covers transportation, meals, and other expenses paid for by the New Zealand Government, including business delegation-specific sessions. Business delegates paid for their own accommodation.

Please note: This amount does not include costs of the broader government to government events that the business delegation attended while on the mission. The delegation attended a range of events (such as a gala dinner, showcasing and networking events) including a variety of invited government and non-government attendees. During this Trade Mission, the delegation travelled on the RNZAF defence plane. Where the RNZAF defence plane was used there was no cost associated for the business delegates. Where Business delegates chose to fly commercially, this was paid for by the delegate.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.govt.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.govt.nz) or freephone: 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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