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Ref: PMO OIA 287-2023-24

Dear Bhoe Gyalo

Official Information Act request: Prime Minister Rt Hon Christopher Luxon and Chinese Premier Li Qiang's meeting in New Zealand

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 15 June 2024. You requested:

"I would like to request all official/unofficial meeting briefings/details between yourself and China's Premier Li Qiang that was around human rights issues in China; in particular Tibet.

Did you bring up the topic of basic human rights issues in Tibet and the violation of freedom of the ethnically minority Tibetan people inside China? Were any concerns raised by yourself on this matter when the Premier was here in New Zealand?

Meeting dates - 13-15th June 2024

On 24 June 2024, I wrote to you advising that information regarding the Prime Minister's meeting with Chinese Premier Li Qiang's in New Zealand is more closely connected to the functions of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT). I advised that your request had been partially transferred to MFAT for documentation prepared or held by them.

This Office also partially retained this request, to respond with any information the Prime Minister may hold that is not covered by MFAT's response.

Following a search, I can now confirm that the Prime Minister does not hold any additional information that will not be covered by MFAT. I am therefore refusing your request in accordance with section 18(e) of the Act, as the information you have requested from the Prime Minister does not exist.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

Cameron Burrows
Chief of Staff