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Tēnā koe Chris

## Official Information Act request

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 17 October 2024 to the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) seeking a list of all the reporting completed by the GCSB since 2008 for both national and international events.

On 22 October 2024, we advised your request as currently worded would be very difficult to meet without substantial collation or research. We asked you to be more specific about what events you are interested in, what sort of reporting you are seeking, and to consider refining your timeframe.

On 24 October 2024, you provided a refined request:

- Please provide a list of all the events reported on globally since 2011
- Please provide a list of all the events reported on nationally since 2011
- Then maybe you can tell me the reports that you do complete - Classified Reporting - what reports are these? - Non Classified - what reports are these?

## Response

We are refusing your request under section 18(f) of the OIA – the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

The GCSB is New Zealand's lead organisation for Signals Intelligence (SIGINT), meaning we specialise in intelligence derived from electronic communications. We also provide cyber security and cyber resilience for organisations of national significance. In order to deliver these functions we produce a variety of reporting, classified and unclassified, about many national and international events.

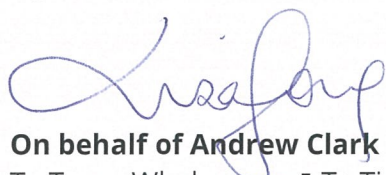
Collating a list of all the events reported on globally and nationally since 2011 would have a significant and unreasonable impact on the GCSB's ability to carry out its other operations. Due to the specialist knowledge required to answer this request, we do not consider that charging for the request, or extending the timeframe, would help us to meet the request.

## Review

If you want to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact [information@gcsb.govt.nz](mailto:information@gcsb.govt.nz).

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

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Clark', written in a cursive style.

**On behalf of Andrew Clark**

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Tira Tiaki

Director-General of the GCSB