



21 November 2024

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Ref: OIA-2024/25-0361

Dear P Robins

Official Information Act request for weekly reports sent to the Prime Minister

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC). You requested:

"I request all weekly reports from September and October 2024 from DPMC to the Prime Minister."

On 25 October 2024 you confirmed with staff in the Ministerial Services Team that you were seeking copies of weekly reports sent from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) to the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Christopher Luxon.

We have interpreted this request to be for formal briefing documents (for example reports, briefings, memoranda, aides memoire).

This response covers any information held by the Cyclone Recovery Unit (CRU) which is a business unit within DPMC and supports me as the Chief Executive, Cyclone Recovery. You will receive a separate response from DPMC's Executive Director, National Security in respect of any other relevant reports held by DPMC.

Information being released

Please find the relevant documentation attached and highlighted below. I have decided to release the relevant parts of the documents listed below, subject to information being withheld as noted. The relevant grounds under which information has been withheld are:

- section 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of individuals.
- section 9(2)(b)(ii), to protect the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or who is the subject of the information.
- section 9(2)(f)(iv), to maintain the confidentiality of advice tendered by or to Ministers and officials.

Items	Week Commencing	Document description	Decision
1,2	2 September 2024	Aide Memoire: North Island Weather Events: Progress Update on Categorisation, Buyouts and Sediment Removal, 4 September 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2	Release in part with some information withheld under sections 9(2)(a), 9(2)(f)(iv)
3, 4	9 September 2024	Aide Memoire: North Island Weather Events: Progress Update on Categorisation, Buyouts and Sediment Removal, 12 September 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2	Release in part with some information withheld under sections 9(2)(a), 9(2)(f)(iv)
5,6	16 September	Aide- Memoire: North Island Weather Events:	Release in part with some

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	2024	Weekly Progress Update on Categorisation and Buyouts, Sediment and Debris, 18 September 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2	information withheld under section 9(2)(a)
7,8,9	23 September 2024	Aide-Mémoire: North Island Weather Events: Monthly Progress Update on Categorisation, Buyouts, Infrastructure and Local Transport Projects, 25 September 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2 Attachment Dashboard Package 3	Release in part with some information withheld under sections 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii), 9(2)(f)(iv)
10,11	30 September 2024	Aide- Memoire: North Island Weather Events: Weekly Progress Update on Categorisation and Buyouts, Sediment and Debris, 3 October 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2	Release in part with some information withheld under section 9(2)(a)
12,13	7 October 2024	Aide- Memoire: North Island Weather Events: Weekly Progress Update on Categorisation and Buyouts, Sediment and Debris, 9 October 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2	Release in part with some information withheld under section 9(2)(a)
14,15	14 October 2024	Aide- Memoire: Cyclone Recovery Weekly Update on Categorisation, Buyouts and Sediment Removal, 17 October 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2	Release in part with some information withheld under sections 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii), 9(2)(f)(iv)
16,17	21 October 2024	Aide- Memoire: Cyclone Recovery Weekly Update on Categorisation, Buyouts and Sediment Removal, 25 October 2024. Attachment A Dashboard 1 Attachment B Dashboard 2	Release in part with some information withheld under sections 9(2)(a), 9(2)(b)(ii), 9(2)(f)(iv)

*Items 1-17 were sent jointly to Prime Minister Luxon and Minister Mitchell under his Emergency Management and Recovery portfolio.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Act. No public interest has been identified that would be sufficient to outweigh the reasons for withholding that information.

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

This response will be published on DPMC's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Yours sincerely



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