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Tēnā koe Charlie

**Official Information Act request relating to advice and correspondence about the He Whenua Taurikura research centre**

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 23 October 2024. You requested:

*“Dear Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet,*

*1. I request all advice provided to the Prime Minister and Hon Judith Collins on the decision to remove funding for He Whenua Taurikura research centre.*

*2. I also request all correspondence sent and received by the Department related to this decision.*

*Yours faithfully,  
Charlie McLean”.*

For ease of reference, I have numbered your request.

I believe that part of question [1] of your request is more closely connected to the functions of the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Christopher Luxon. Accordingly, I have decided to partially transfer this part of your request to Prime Minister Luxon under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act for any information he or his office may hold. The other parts of the request have not been transferred, and we will respond in due course.

The Prime Minister has the usual timeframes under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Nākū noa, nā

Amy Teague  
**Manager, Ministerial Services**