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Tēnā koe Andrew Arkin

Thank you for your email of 26 November 2024 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

I am writing to request information under the Official Information Act 1982 concerning New Zealand's involvement in the Five Eyes collaboration related to the Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP) and/or Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO). To facilitate a comprehensive response, I am specifically seeking:

1. Documents and Communications: Any documents, reports, or communications from the past five years detailing New Zealand's participation in discussions or initiatives within the Five Eyes alliance regarding UAP and UFO phenomena.

2. International Agreements and Memoranda: Any agreements or memoranda of understanding between New Zealand and other Five Eyes countries concerning the sharing of information or joint investigations related to UAPs and UFOs.

3. Meetings and Conferences: Records of meetings or conferences attended by New Zealand representatives where UAPs and/or UFOs were discussed within the context of Five Eyes collaboration.

4. Diplomatic Correspondence: Any diplomatic correspondence related to UAP and/or UFO phenomena that involves New Zealand's interactions with other Five Eyes countries.

Your request for information is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the information you have requested does not exist.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Therefore, our response to your request (with your personal information removed) may be published on the Ministry website: www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/contact-us/official-information-act-responses/

If you have any questions about this decision, you can contact us by email at: DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Owen Thornber
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade