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Minister of Trade

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Dave Lane

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Dear Dave Lane

Thank you for your email of 25 January 2017 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*"I would like a full record of expenditure break down of the costs incurred by your office (and those of your predecessors) and across all ministerial and departmental budgets, related to the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (and its precursors). Please split out the following:*

- 1. ministerial travel,*
- 2. official travel,*
- 3. legal and policy advice,*
- 4. analysis,*
- 5. communications, and*
- 6. other (providing details classifying those "other" expenses).*

*Please also show costs incurred both prior to and following the formal involvement of the USA."*

With regard to your request for costs incurred by myself and my predecessors during the course of TPP negotiations, and the P4 negotiations before that, information about travel and accommodation expenses for members of the Executive can be found on the Department of Internal Affairs website: <https://www.dia.govt.nz/About-us-Our-Organisation-Ministers-expenses>. Therefore, I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) as this information is publicly available.

I do not hold the information relating to departmental costs relating to TPP and the P4, however, I understand the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) is currently

processing an OIA request of yours for departmental costs relating to TPP and the P4 agreement. On this basis I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) as the information will soon be made available to you.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of this response by the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Todd McClay". The signature is stylized and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Hon Todd McClay  
Minister of Trade