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Dear Mr Johnson

Thank you for your email of 18 December 2012 to the Ministry for the Environment, requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

Advice (including the Cabinet paper) from the Ministry for the Environment provided to the Minister for Climate Change Issues Hon Tim Groser relating to the decision to not sign up to a second commitment period (CP2) under the Kyoto Protocol for the period from 2013 to 2020.

Your request was transferred to me for consideration under section 14 of the OIA.

The attached table lists the documents within the scope of your request and also notes the OIA provisions applied to withhold information.

Under section 28(3) of the OIA, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my response to your request.

Yours sincerely

Hon Tim Groser
Minister for Climate Change Issues

List of Documents Released

No.	Date	Title	Decision	Reason for withholding
1	October 2012	Cabinet Paper: 'Climate Change: International Negotiations- Updates New Zealand position pre-Doha'	Release in part	<p>s 9(2)(f)(iv)</p> <p>Maintain constitutional conventions which protect confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers or Officials</p> <p>s 9(2)(g)(i)</p> <p>Maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinion by, or between of to Ministers or officials in the course of their duty</p> <p>S 9(2)(j)</p> <p>Release likely to prejudice negotiations</p> <p>S 6(b)</p> <p>Release likely to prejudice entrusting of information to government on a basis of confidence</p>
2.	October 2012	Submission: 'Doha Mandate Cabinet Paper: Nature of timing of decision on post-2012 Commitment'	Released in part	<p>S 9(2)(f)(iv)</p> <p>Maintain constitutional conventions which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers or officials</p> <p>S 9(2)(g)(i)</p> <p>Maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinion by, or between or to Ministers or officials in the course of their duty.</p> <p>S 6(2)(a)</p> <p>Personal information included in document.</p> <p>S 9(2)(j)</p> <p>Release likely to prejudice negotiations</p> <p>S 6(a)</p> <p>Release likely to prejudice international relations</p>
3	29 October 2012	Status Report	All in scope information released in full	N/A
4	22 October 2012	Status Report	All in scope information released in full	N/A

5	15 October 2012	Status Report	All in scope information released in full	N/A
6	1 May 2012	Briefing note 12-B-00433: 'Cabinet paper: New Zealand's post 2012 mitigation commitment and linkages to the ETS'	Released in part	S 9(2)(a) Personal information included in document. S 9(2)(g)(i) Maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
7	23 April 2012	Aide memoire: 'Draft paper and upcoming process for STR meeting on climate change'	Released in part	S 9(2)(g)(i) Maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
8	Undated	A3 Draft Paper: 'New Zealand's post 2012 mitigation commitment and linkages to the ETS'	Released in part	S 9(2)(g)(i) Maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
9	Undated	A3 Strategy Paper: 'New Zealand's post 2012 mitigation commitment and linkages to the ETS'	Released in part	S 9(2)(g)(i) Maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions