Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage

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Dear David Williams

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), dated 6 February 2018 for:

"all briefings your Ministry has written for your Minister regarding government support for the Royal Academy 2018 Oceania exhibition, and all emails your Ministry has sent or received regarding the Royal Academy 2018 Oceania exhibition.

Please provide a list of the titles of any material that is withheld."

On 8 February 2018, you refined the scope of your request to

"briefings and any substantive emails in terms of policy / decision-making".

We have decided to withhold all information within the scope of your request (including the titles of any material) under the following section of the OIA:

• s9(2)(f)(iv), advice still under active consideration, to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.

The reasons for withholding information are not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Colin Holden

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