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Dear Tony Williams

I refer to your email of 24 May 2018 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*"I would like to know how much money the NZ Govt has paid to the Clinton Foundation since 2014, and the reason for the payment(s), if any were made."*

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) has not made and does not intend to make any payments to the Clinton Foundation. The Ministry intends to continue its work with the Clinton Health Access Initiative which has been a separate legal entity from the Clinton Foundation since January 2010.

The Ministry has committed US\$9.96 million to the Clinton Health Access Initiative for a project designed to combat malnutrition amongst children in Rwanda and Ethiopia. To date, NZ\$8.02 million has been paid towards this project. All payments made by the Ministry are subject to ongoing and satisfactory delivery against objectives. The Clinton Health Access Initiative is a partner that the Ministry deems to be appropriate and effective in delivering development outcomes.

So far the 'combatting malnutrition programme' has directly provided 100,000 mothers and children with subsidised fortified and nutritious food. At full capacity this project will provide one million children with subsidised fortified and nutritious food annually.

The New Zealand Government regards combatting malnutrition in infants and increasing food security as an acceptable use of our development funds.

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

Yours sincerely



Wendy Adams  
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade