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Ref: PMO 293-2018

Dear Marcus

Official Information Act request for information on previous requests where information has been withheld under section 6 of the Act

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 11 October 2018. You requested:

"...I'd like to request a list of OIA requests declined under Section 6 of the Official Information Act. In particular, date of response, subject line/topic and the applicable subsection of Section 6. I'd prefer to receive this information in the form of a .xlsx file rather than PDF if possible.

Additionally, I'd like to refer to the subject lines provided by the Prime Ministers office in OIA references: OIA-2017/18-0141 and PMO 132-2016. You'll see there are a list of OIAs that were rejected under Section 6.

I'd like to know if the status of any of those subjects have changed. To clarify, I'd like to know there is any previously rejected/redacted information can be now be provided along with the first request....".

We have interpreted the first part of your request to be for information about responses to requests under the Act received by this Office where the request was refused in full or in part under section 6 of the Act. We are not in a position to respond in relation to requests received by any other Minister or government agency.

Searches were undertaken of responses to requests made under the Act sent by this Office since the start of this administration (26 October 2017) to identify any responses that included some information withheld under section 6. Please find the relevant information you requested in the table below.

| Date of response | Subject of the Official Information Act request | Section(s) of the Act |
|------------------|--|--------------------------|
| 13/04/2018 | Advice relating to Labour Party summer schools. | 6(c) |
| 18/04/2018 | Weekly reports provided to the Minister for National Security and Intelligence. | 6(a) 6(b)(i) |
| 20/04/2018 | Correspondence with the Office of the President of the United States. | 6(a) |
| 18/05/2018 | Information including individual costs of gifts given during visit to Europe and the UK. | 6(a) |
| 28/06/2018 | Prime Minister's diary. | 6(a) 6(c) 6(d) |

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| 3/07/2018 | Records of meeting with former President of the United States. | 6(a) |
| 13/07/2018 | Documents received as Minister for Arts, Culture & Heritage, Minister for Child Poverty Reduction and Minister for National Security & Intelligence. | 6(a) 6(b)(i) |
| 24/07/2018 | Records relating to visit to NZ by former US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. | 6(a) 6(c) |
| 30/07/2018 | Correspondence with the President of the US. | 6(a) |
| 11/09/2018 | Inquiry into the appointment process for the Deputy Police Commissioner. | 6(c) |
| 3/10/2018 | Phone calls to heads of state. | 6(a) |

It should be noted that these responses may have only withheld some information under the relevant section.

The second part of your request refers to the responses to two previous requests with the reference numbers PMO 132-2016 and OIA-2017/18-0141. I can confirm that this Office does not hold any information relating to these two requests or the responses made to them. I understand the first request was made to the former Prime Minister. This Office does not hold any information from the previous administration. I am advised that the second request was made to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC).

This office does not hold the requested information relating to these two previous responses and I believe the agency most likely to hold this information is DPMC. Therefore, I have decided under section 14(b)(i) of the Act to transfer this part of your request to DPMC.

DPMC has the usual time limits under the Act from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

Mike Munro Chief of Staff