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Dear John Luke

I refer to your email of 31 October 2018 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*"I understand there are many state sector boards and committees under Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade's responsibilities. Can you please provide a full list of all state sector boards and committees under Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade's responsibilities. Also, can you please let me know how/where you have advertised these vacancies and how the public can submit their expression of interest."*

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade supports the following state sector boards, Crown Entities and charitable trusts;

- APEC Business Advisory Council
- Asia New Zealand Foundation
- Board of Management of New Zealand Antarctic Institute (aka Antarctica New Zealand)
- Commonwealth of Learning
- Fulbright New Zealand Board
- International Whaling Commission: New Zealand Commissioner
- The New Zealand France Friendship Fund
- Board of Trustees of the Pacific Cooperation Foundation
- National Group of the Permanent Court of Arbitration
- Public Advisory Committee on Disarmament and Arms Control (PACDAC)
- Special Representative, Japan
- Tokelau International Trust Fund

When expressions of interest are sought for membership of the above bodies by the Ministry, they are published on the Ministry's website at:

<https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/who-we-are/nominations-and-appointments-to-international-bodies-and-lists/>.

The Ministry does not make the appointments to the state sector boards, Crown Entities or trusts. Our role is to provide the Minister of Foreign Affairs with a short list of appropriate candidates. The designations are then decided by the Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee, and the final appointment formally made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details redacted) may be published on the Ministry's website.

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, consisting of a large, stylized 'W' followed by a long horizontal line.

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for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade