



26 April 2012

Joshua Grainger

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Dear Mr Grainger

Official Information Request for Information about the Chinese Company Huawei

I refer to your information request of 26 March 2012 for:

- *“Any information that DPMC holds about the Chinese company Huawei, being used to supply equipment for the UFB network, and its links to the Chinese Government or the People's Liberation Army.*
- *If my request is to be declined I would like to request the names / subjects of any reports, documents, or emails that have been withheld, along with the date that these reports were created.”*

I can confirm that the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet holds some information relevant to your request. This information, including details of any documents withheld as set out in the second part of your request, has been withheld in its entirety under the following sections of the Official Information Act:

- Section 6(a) as the making available of that information would be likely *“to prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand”*.
- Section 6(b) as the making available of that information would be likely *“to prejudice the entrusting of information to the Government of New Zealand on a basis of confidence by-*
 - (i) the Government of any other country or any agency of such a Government.*
 - (ii) any international organisation.”*
- Section 9(2)(b)(ii) as withholding the information is necessary to *“protect information where the making available of the information... would be likely unreasonably to*

prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.”

Where the information has been withheld under section 9, no public interest in this information has been identified that would be sufficient to override the reasons for withholding it.

You are entitled to ask the Ombudsman to review this response under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely



Maarten Wevers
Chief Executive