



Ref: OIA 2024-017

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9 May 2024

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Thank you for your request of 12 April 2024 seeking the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"I refer to a Cabinet Office circular dated 25 March 2024, intended for all private secretaries, a copy of which can be found here: <https://www.dpmc.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2024-03/co-24-2-national-act-new-zealand-first-coalition-govt-consultation-operating-arrangements.pdf>.

Paragraph 38 of the circular advises agencies the following: "Agencies may, on occasion, be asked by their Minister to meet representatives of other parliamentary parties without the Minister present. On such occasions, all those at the meeting should clearly understand that officials are able to provide only a briefing on the issues. As a matter of practice, agencies are advised to keep a record of the substance of any such meeting and consider providing that record to all those who attended the meeting as well as to the Minister. It is also expected that a representative of the relevant portfolio Minister's office or the Prime Minister's office will attend these meetings.

I request copies of all such records under the Official Information Act."

The Commission has considered your request in accordance with the Act.

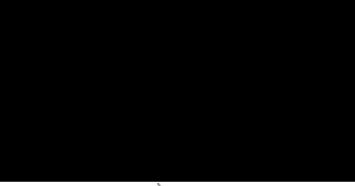
The Minister of Climate Change has not asked the Climate Change Commission to meet representatives of other parliamentary parties and as such, no such information exists.

We are therefore unable to provide you with the information you seek, and we rely on section 18(e) of the Act to support our decision to not supply the requested information, as it does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Office of the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. Contact details for the Ombudsman can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

Please note that the Commission proactively releases its responses to requests made under the Act. This is to help ensure others can also have access to this information. As such, this letter will shortly be published on our website with your name and contact details redacted to protect your privacy.

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