

29 November 2021

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Ref: OIA-2021/22-0532

Dear Scott

Official Information Act request for eight specific national security documents

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), received on 2 November 2021. You requested:

- "ONE: The December 2018 memo titled "Our parting thoughts and wishes for the National Security System" [1819NSPD/064]
- TWO: The December 2018 briefing titled "Prevention of Violent Extremism Update" [1819NSPD/065]
- THREE: The March 2019 briefing titled "Proposed Counter-terrorism Cabinet papers" [1819NSPD/094]
- FOUR: The March 2019 memo titled "Social Media and Harmful Online Content" [1819NSPD/107]
- FIVE: The September 2019 Cabinet paper titled "National Terrorism Threat Level and Response System" [ERS-19-SUB-0020]
- SIX: The November 2019 Cabinet paper titled "Progress Against the National Security and Intelligence Priorities" [ERS-19-SUB-0038]
- SEVEN: The December 2019 briefing titled "Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee Meeting 4 December 2019 - Managing National Security Information in Proceedings" [1920NSP/038]
- EIGHT: The October 2020 briefing titled "QAnon Designation and Disinformation" [2021NSP/014]".

I wrote to you on 15 November 2021, advising you that your request for Documents Five and Six (2019 papers submitted to the Cabinet External Relations and Security Committee) had been transferred to the Minister for National Security and Intelligence (Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern).

I have decided under section 15A of the Act to extend the time limits for deciding on the remainder of your request (Documents One, Two, Three, Four, Seven and Eight) by an additional 30 working days.

Please note under Section 2(1) of the Act, days in the period commencing 25 December 2021 through to 15 January 2022, are not counted as working days. Consequently, the extended due date for your response will be 1 February 2022.

The extension is required because of the consultations needed to make a decision on your request. Despite the extension, a response will be sent to you as soon as possible.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

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