

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

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Minister of Foreign Affairs

Minister of Local Government

Associate Minister for Māori Development



20 June 2022

Mark Wong

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Tēnā koe Mark Wong

I refer to your email of 10 May 2022 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

The details of all contracts awarded to companies where one or more of your family members is a director or shareholder. This includes, but is not limited to Ka Awatea Services Limited.

I am also requesting details of the process undertaken to award these contracts, including some details of other applicants. For privacy reasons I understand that names of people and companies may need to be redacted and that is fine. I am more interested in their qualifications and experience that is relevant to the contracts they were over looked for.

On 10 June 2022 the deadline to provide a decision on your request was extended to 20 June 2022.

In response to the first part of your request, I have consulted with the government departments I am responsible for and they do not hold information about contracts awarded based on who the names of directors or shareholders therefore I am refusing your request under section 18(g)(i).

In response to your specific request for details of contracts awarded to Ka Awatea Services Ltd. I direct you to the answers I have provided to Written Parliamentary questions about Ka Awatea Services Ltd. Similar Written Parliamentary questions have also been responded to by other Ministers and are available on the Parliament website.

[18195 \(2022\). Simeon Brown to the Minister of Foreign Affairs - New Zealand Parliament \(www.parliament.nz\)](#)

[18041 \(2022\). Simeon Brown to the Minister of Local Government - New Zealand Parliament \(www.parliament.nz\)](#)

[18257 \(2022\). Simeon Brown to the Associate Minister for Māori Development - New Zealand Parliament \(www.parliament.nz\)](#)

The second part of your request for the details of the process for awarding any contracts is declined as no contracts to family members have been identified under the portfolio's I currently hold responsibility for.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Mahuta', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

Minita Take Aorere / Minister of Foreign Affairs