Email Chain 1

From: WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA)

Sent: Monday, 9 May 2022 3:45 PM

To: MORTON, Tara (MEA) <Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: Items for review

Great! s9(2)(g)(i)

Thanks, Meg

John Acit Voley From: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara. Morton@mfat.govt.nz

Sent: Monday, 9 May 2022 1:17 pm

To: WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) < Meg. Williams@mfat.govt.nz >

Subject: RE: Items for review

[SENSITIVE]

Kia ora Meg

That proposed approach to the LLOIA looks good thanks. s9(2)(g)(i)

Cheers Tara

From: WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) < Meg.Williams@mfat.govt.nz >

Sent: Friday, 6 May 2022 9:54 AM

To: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: Items for review

[SENSITIVE]

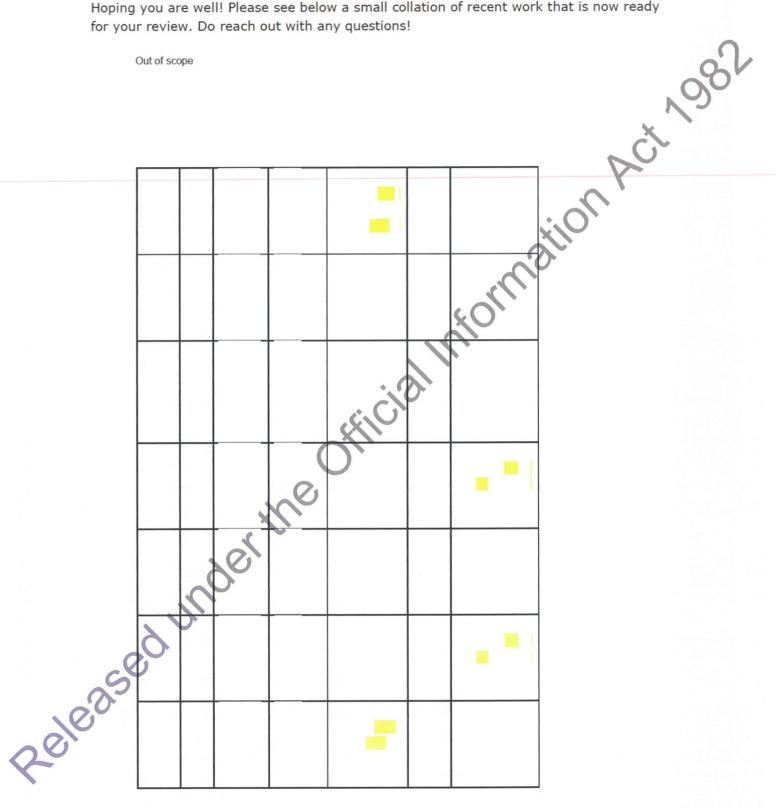
Morena Tara,

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Hoping you are well! Please see below a small collation of recent work that is now ready for your review. Do reach out with any questions!

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I've attached a proposed approach to the Li OIA - grateful any thoughts on this.

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Regards, Meg

Meg Williams (she/hers) Policy Officer | Kaiāpiha Kaupapa Here

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Email Chain 2

From: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara. Morton@mfat.govt.nz

Sent: Tuesday, 10 May 2022 10:22 AM

To: WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) < Meg. Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: Meg's things for this week

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Thanks so much for kindly pulling this together. I will seek an extension for the Li OIA Out of scope

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Cheers

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From: WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) < meg.Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 10 May 2022 10:19 AM

To: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara. Morton@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: Meg's things for this week

[IN CONFIDENCE]

Hello!

Hopefully timing has been kind - my to-do list is currently pretty short. Here's what it looks like and some suggested approaches:

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 Li OIA – this is currently due on the 16th, so suggest we ask for an extension – we haven't yet had an extension on this one.
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the Li OIA is the only one I have

currently.

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Cheers, Meg

Meg Williams (she/hers)
Policy Officer | Kaiāpiha Kaupapa Here

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Email Chain 3

From: MORTON, Tara (MEA) <Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 11 May 2022 1:00 PM

To: SHORT, Veremy (ESD) < Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz>; WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA)

<Meg.Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

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Thanks Jeremy

In that case and conscious that I got sick over a month ago and am still at limited hours, I think a 30 day extension sounds sensible thanks.

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Ngā mihi Tara

From: SHORT, Jeremy (ESD) < Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz >

Sent: Wednesday, 11 May 2022 12:58 PM

To: MORTON, Tara (MEA) <Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz>; WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA)

< Meg. Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

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There is actually no maximum to extend but if we do extend for a large amount of time we will need to provide specific reasons if a complaint is made. Would you like 30 working days? That would bring the new due date to 27th June 2022.

Ngā mihi

Jeremy Short (he/him)

Senior Advisor

Executive Services Division

New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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From: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara. Morton@mfat.govt.nz >

Sent: Wednesday, 11 May 2022 12:55 pm

To: SHORT, Jeremy (ESD) < Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz >; WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA)

<Meg.Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

[UNCLASSIFIED]

Hey Jeremy

Thanks for your kind message. What are out options? Given Meg only began sick leave yesterday and may be away a while and we are covering a number of absences/shorter hours as team members recover, should we opt for the maximum? Is that 30 days?

Cheers

Tara

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From: SHORT, Jeremy (ESD) < Jeremy. Short@mfat.govt.nz>

Sent: Wednesday, 11 May 2022 12:53 PM

cial Information Act (982) To: MORTON, Tara (MEA) <Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz>; WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA)

<Meg.Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

[UNCLASSIFIED]

Hey Tara,

Im sorry to hear about everyones illnesses. I hope you feel better soon.

I will put an extension in for this OIA. How long would you like?

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Ngā mihi

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From: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara. Morton@mfat.govt.nz >

Sent: Tuesday, 10 May 2022 12:13 pm

To: WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) < Meg. Williams@mfat.govt.nz >; SHORT, Jeremy (ESD)

<Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

Speaking of key absences unfortunately Meg has come down with Covid overnight so is now on sick leave. As a result (and because I am still recovering and am only working a few hours a day while I recover), we think we will need to seek an extension for this OIA.

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Cheers

Tara

From: WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) < Meg. Williams@mfat.govt.nz >

Sent: Monday, 9 May 2022 3:39 PM

To: SHORT, Jeremy (ESD) < Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz Cc: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

[UNCLASSIFIED]

Kia ora Jeremy,

Thanks for your email and apologies for the delay from our side on this one – we've had some key absences in MEA recently.

I've identified documents in scope for parts 1) and 2), and am working on redactions for these currently.

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Do let me know if there's any issues with the above – happy to discuss.

Thanks,

Meg

Meg Williams (she/hers)

Policy Officer | Kaiāpiha Kaupapa Here

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ACT 1082

From: SHORT, Jeremy (ESD) < Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz>

Sent: Monday, 9 May 2022 8:44 am

To: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz>; WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA)

< Meg. Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

[UNCLASSIFIED]

Kia ora Both,

Just wondering how you are getting on with this request and if you need anything from me?

Ngā mihi

Jeremy Short (he/him)

Senior Advisor

Executive Services Division

New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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From: MORTON, Tara (MEA) < Tara. Morton@mfat.govt.nz >

Sent: Tuesday, 26 April 2022 4:19 pm

To: THORNBER, Owen (ESD) < wen.Thornber@mfat.govt.nz; TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA)

<<u>Rob.Taylor@mfat.govt.nz</u>>; CURR, Jonathan (MEA) <<u>Jonathan.Curr@mfat.govt.nz</u>>; CUTLER,

Andrew (CMD) < Andrew Cutler@mfat.govt.nz >; GLOVER, Daniel (CMD)

<Daniel.Glover@mfat.govt.nz>

Cc: OCE < OCE@mfat.govt.nz >; MEDIA < media@mfat.govt.nz >; SHORT, Jeremy (ESD)

<<u>Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz</u>>; LEE, Julie-Anne (RGA, ESD) <<u>Julie-Anne.Lee@mfat.govt.nz</u>>; ESD

<<u>DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz</u>>; WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) <<u>Meg.Williams@mfat.govt.nz</u>>

Subject: RE: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet

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Kia ora team

Meg Williams will be our point of contact on this one alongside me, thanks.

Cheers

Tara

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Sent with BlackBerry Work (www.blackberry.com)

From: THORNBER, Owen (ESD) < Owen. Thornber@mfat.govt.nz >

Date: Tuesday, 26 Apr 2022, 3:58 PM

To: TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA) < Rob. Taylor@mfat.govt.nz > , CURR, Jonathan (MEA)

<<u>Jonathan.Curr@mfat.govt.nz</u>>, MORTON, Tara (MEA) <<u>Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz</u>>, CUTLER, Andrew (CMD)

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<Daniel.Glover@mfat.govt.nz>

Cc: OCE < OCE@mfat.govt.nz >, MEDIA < media@mfat.govt.nz >, SHORT, Jeremy

(ESD) < <u>Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz</u>>, LEE, Julie-Anne (RGA, ESD) < <u>Julie-</u>

Anne.Lee@mfat.govt.nz>, ESD < DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: OIA Andrew Li - @MFATNZ tweet [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

[UNCLASSIFIED]

Good afternoon

The Ministry has received the below OIA request from Andrew Li for information relating to this recent tweet from the @MFAT NZ account:

New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade on Twitter: "Aotearoa New Zealand is deeply concerned about the escalation of tensions at holy sites in Jerusalem, and in Gaza. We call on both sides to exercise restraint and stop the cycle of provocation and violence." / Twitter

We have also received the attached OIA requesting the names of staff responsible for the posting of the tweet.

Jeremy Short will be the ESD lead on this response. Can you please confirm the best point of contact in MEA and CMD and Jeremy will be in touch to progress this response.

Ngā mihi,

Owen Thornber (he/him)

Unit Manager

Executive Services Division

New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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----Original Message-----

From: Andrew Li <fyi-request-19198-bc343b9d@requests.fyi.org.nz>

Sent: Saturday, 23 April 2022 10:56 AM
To: ENQUIRIES < enquiries@mfat.govt.nz >

Subject: Official Information request - MFAT statements in support of the terrorist attacks on the Al-Aqsa

mosque

Dear Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade,

On 0855 Friday, a message was publicly posted on Twitter by the official MFATNZ Twitter account, suggesting that the Palestinian victims were to blame for the repeated terrorist attacks by the zionist entity on the al-Aqsa Mosque, and that Palestinians were somehow obliged to refrain from responding against terror attacks launched by zionists on the third holiest site in Islam and the Gaza concentration camp. https://twitter.com/MFATNZ/status/1517245771367673856

I am requesting:

- 1) All internal notes and communications internally within MFAT and externally with the likes of Ms Mahuta which related to the production of this message.
- 2) All internal notes and communications internally within MFAT and externally with the likes of Ms Mahuta which related to the ongoing zionist terrorist attacks on the Al Aqsa mosque and Gaza which escalated following the April 15 attack.
- 3) MFAT policy, documents, and messages related to how MFAT communications should address Palestine, and the so called state of 'Israel', as well as the conflicts between the native Palestinian population of Palestine and the zionist invaders.

Yours faithfully,	
Andrew Li	
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From: THORNBER, Owen (ESD) < Owen. Thornber@mfat.govt.nz>

Sent: Monday, 16 May 2022 10:40 AM

To: TAYLOR, Rob (DS EMA) <Rob.Taylor@mfat.govt.nz>; CURR, Jonathan (MEA) <Jonathan.Curr@mfat.govt.nz>; MORTON, Tara (MEA) <Tara.Morton@mfat.govt.nz>; BENNET, Dawn (AUS) <Dawn.Bennet@mfat.govt.nz>; WILLIAMS, Meg (MEA) <Meg.Williams@mfat.govt.nz>

Cc: SHORT, Jeremy (ESD) <Jeremy.Short@mfat.govt.nz>; OCE <OCE@mfat.govt.nz>; MEDIA <media@mfat.govt.nz>; LEE, Julie-Anne (RGA, ESD) <Julie-Anne.Lee@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: OIA request - MFAT communications in regards blocking the timely release of information

[UNCLASSIFIED]

Good

The Ministry has received the below OIA request from Andrew Li via the <u>FYI website</u> for information relating to his current OIA requests with us (MFAT QIA <u>28022</u> and MFA OIA <u>28026</u>)

Jeremy Short is the ESD lead on these response and will be in touch to progress this response.

Ngā mihi

Owen Thornber (he/him)

Unit Manager

Executive Services Division

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-----Original Message-----

From: Andrew Li <fyi-request-19351-47a0de67@requests.fyi.org.nz>

Sent: Sunday, 15 May 2022 12:09 PM

To: ENQUIRIES < enquiries@mfat.govt.nz >

Subject: Official Information request - MFAT communications in regards blocking the timely release of information

Dear Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade,

On 12 May 2022, you sent a message stating
> I am writing concerning your OIA request below. This email is to
> advise that we will need to extend the time limit for responding to

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- > you by 30 working days, to 23 June 2022. This is because consultations
- > necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper
- > response cannot reasonably be made within the original time frame
- > (section 15A(1)(a) of the OIA refers).

I am requesting all communications, notes, or any other documents related produced within MFAT or with outside parties relating to your response to the original requests, made on 23 April 2022.

Yours faithfully, Andrew Li

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Email Chain 5

From: LEE, Julie-Anne (RGA, ESD) < Julie-Anne.Lee@mfat.govt.nz>

Sent: Tuesday, 26 April 2022 11:00 AM **To:** MEDIA <media@mfat.govt.nz>

Cc: ESD <DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz>; THORNBER, Owen (ESD) <Owen.Thornber@mfat.govt.nz>; CMD <DM-CMD@mfat.govt.nz>

Subject: FW: Official Information request - MFAT statements in support of the terrorist

attacks on the Al-Aqsa mosque

Importance: High

Hi team

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Cheers

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Julie-Anne Lee (she/her)

Divisional Manager Executive Services Division New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade | Manatū Aorere

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----Original Message-----

From: Andrew Li <fyi-request-19198-bc343b9d@requests.fyi.org.nz>

Sent: Saturday, 23 April 2022 11:08 AM To: ENQUIRIES < enquiries @mfat.govt.nz >

Subject: Re: Official Information request - MFAT statements in support of the terrorist attacks on the Al-Aqsa

mosque

Dear Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade,

In addition to the questions above,

4) I am requesting the name of the individual responsible for posting the attack on the Palestinian people mentioned above:

https://twitter.com/MFATNZ/status/1517245771367673856

Yours faithfully, Andrew Li

----Original Message----

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Thank you for your email.

For information about travel advice, including travelling during the pandemic, please refer to the SafeTravel website: Home | SafeTravel. The Unite Against COVID-19 website also provides information about international travel: International travel and transit | Unite against COVID-19 (covid19.govt.nz).

For enquiries regarding:

• Managed Isolation and Quarantine – Detailed information can be found at:

https://www.miq.govt.nz.

- Consular issues or if you are a New Zealand citizen overseas needing assistance, email: [email address].
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- MFAT Graduate Programme email: [email address].
- New Zealand visas and asylum enquiries visit the Immigration New Zealand website at:

https://www.immigration.govt.nz/.

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Email Chain 6

Hi Tara,

I've attached everything that I believe is in scope for the first two elements:

- 1) All internal notes and communications internally within MFAT and externally with the likes of Ms Mahuta which related to the production of this message.
- 2) All internal notes and communications internally within MFAT and externally with the likes of Ms Mahuta which related to the ongoing zionist terrorist attacks on the Al Aqsa mosque and Gaza which escalated following the April 15 attack.

I'll go through these to define what's in scope/redactions.

The third part of this OIA is as follows:

3) MFAT policy, documents, and messages related to how MFAT communications should address Palestine, and the so called state of 'Israel', as well as the conflicts between the native Palestinian population of Palestine and the zionist invaders.

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