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Tēnā koe Harry Peterson

Official Information Act request for communications related to Trevor Mallard's appointment as Ambassador to Ireland

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 13 September 2022.

You have requested:

"I am requesting all communications between your office, Nanaia Mahuta, and MFAT regarding the appointment of Rt Hon Trevor Mallard as ambassador to Ireland.

This includes but is not limited to:

- Communications regarding a diplomatic Visa*
- Communications regarding the reason for a hold up or delay in the appointment of the Rt Hon Trevor Mallard as ambassador to Ireland"*

I note you have also requested this information from Minister Nanaia Mahuta and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. As their responses will capture any information this office has in scope of your request and to avoid unnecessary duplication, we refer you to their responses.

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

Ngā mihi nui,

Raj Nahna
Chief of Staff