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Tulson Caird fyi-request-22439-09bcd6b6@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Tulson

I refer to your email of 12 April 2023 to the Office of the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Chris Hipkins, requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), as follows:

Does NZ have any Gold reserves

On 26 April 2023, the Office of the Prime Minister transferred your request to the Reserve Bank of New Zealand – Te Pūtea Matua (RBNZ) for response, as the required information is more closely connected with the functions of the RBNZ.

## Response

We understand your request to be about whether gold is held as an asset by the RBNZ as part of New Zealand's foreign reserves.

I can advise that the RBNZ does not hold gold as part of its foreign reserves.

More information on foreign reserves can be found on the RBNZ website at <u>https://www.rbnz.govt.nz/financial-markets/foreign-reserves</u>.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this OIA response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish a copy of this response on the RBNZ website at <u>www.rbnz.govt.nz/research-and-publications/official-information-requests</u>. Responses to requests are published in order to improve public transparency and provide an additional resource for anyone seeking information.

Yours sincerely

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