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Dear Sarah,

OIA 23-24-51: Information regarding Government mandated savings

Thank you for your email of 3 May 2024 to New Zealand Trade and Enterprise (NZTE), making a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You requested the following information:

Please can you provide the date for when the agency was informed of its savings target? This is not in relation to the 2023 COVID funding savings you made, but specifically this relates to the savings targets that most agencies and departments were issued from December 2023 onwards. i.e. 6.5% or 7.5% etc.

When were you provided your target and what was the percentage (as above)?

An answer to your questions is as follows

As of 3 May 2024, all savings initiatives are subject to confirmation by Cabinet for inclusion in Budget 2024. Release of information regarding cost saving measures is therefore being withheld by NZTE under 9(2)(f)(iv) of the OIA as it relates to decisions under active consideration, and the release would likely prejudice decision making.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.govt.nz or freephone: 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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