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Tēnā koe Chris McCashin

We refer to your email of Wednesday 10 July to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

1. *"...Are you able to provide an accounting of the total funds gone to Ukraine I am specifically wanting to know who this money is paid to...For example who is this latest cheque of \$16m being written out to and who have all the other cheques been written out to?"*

On 17 July 2024, your request was partially transferred to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) for response. Please find a response to your request below.

The NZ\$16 million in support for Ukraine, announced by the Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs on 10 July 2024, includes a NZ\$2 million contribution to the NATO Comprehensive Assistance Package to support the medical rehabilitation of Armed Forces of Ukraine personnel. It also includes a NZ\$4 million contribution to the drone capability coalition led by the United Kingdom and Latvia.

NZ\$10 million in humanitarian assistance will be provided through the International Committee of the Red Cross (NZ\$2.5 million), the Ukraine Humanitarian Fund administered by the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (NZ\$5 million), and the United Nations Refugee Agency (NZ\$2.5 million).

New Zealand has not provided any direct funding support to the Government of Ukraine since 24 February 2022.

More information on New Zealand's response can be found on the MFAT website:

<https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/countries-and-regions/europe/ukraine/russian-invasion-of-ukraine>

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Therefore, our response to your request (with your personal information removed) may be published on the Ministry website: www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/contact-us/official-information-act-responses/

If you have any questions about this decision, you can contact us by email at:

DM-ESD@mfat.govt.nz. 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, nā



Sarah Corbett
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade