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Tēnā koe Cooper O'Neil

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request to the Office of the Prime Minister, transferred to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) on 6 August 2024, in which you request the following:

- 1) *All documents (including, but not limited to: itineraries, communications e.g emails, texts) relating to the visit of Apple Inc.*
- 2) *All travel documents (including, but not limited to: itineraries, communications e.g emails, texts).*

On 13 August 2024, we contacted you requesting a refinement of your request to the below:

All formal documents predominantly relating to the PM's meeting of Apple Inc. of 12 July 2024. Please note the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade defines something as "predominantly relating" to a topic if 50% or more of the item is on the topic or, the title of the item includes the term that was asked for.

You accepted this refinement on the same day.

The information relevant to your request is attached. We have withheld some information under the following sections of the OIA:

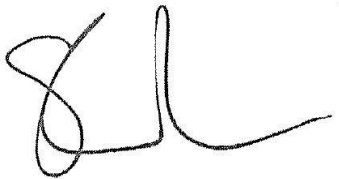
- 6(a): to avoid prejudicing the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the New Zealand Government;
- 6(b)(i): to protect the passing of information from another government on a confidential basis;
- 6(c): to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial;
- 9(2)(ba)(i): to protect the supply of confidential information by another party where disclosure would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source;
- 9(2)(b)(ii): to avoid prejudice to the commercial position of another party;
- 9(2)(g)(i): to protect the free and frank expression of opinions by departments; and
- 9(2)(i): to avoid prejudice commercial activities.

Where the information has been withheld under section 9 of the OIA, we have identified no public interest in releasing the information that would override the reasons for withholding it.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SC', written in a cursive style.

Sarah Corbett
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade