## **Rt Hon Winston Peters**

**Deputy Prime Minister** 

Minister of Foreign Affairs Minister for Racing



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Peter Brown

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## Dear Peter Brown

Thank you for your email of 19 September 2024 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- 1) Since the most recent appointment of Peters as Minister of Foreign Affairs & Trade, has he met with Juliet Moses or any other representatives of the New Zealand Jewish Council, and if so, on what occasions?
- 2) Please provide all communications between Peters in his capacity as Minister of Foreign Affairs & Trade and Moses and other representatives of the New Zealand Jewish Council. This should be in the original form- not summaries.

Part one of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA because Ministerial diaries are publicly available on the Beehive website:

https://www.beehive.govt.nz/search?f%5B0%5D=content\_type\_facet%3Aministerial\_diary&f%5B1%5D=ministers%3A6819&f%5B2%5D=government\_facet%3A6700

Part two of your request is withheld in its entirety under section 9 of the OIA. Information is withheld under the following sections:

- 9(2)(c) avoid prejudice to measures protecting the health or safety of members of the public;
- 9(2)(g)(2) the protection of such Ministers, members of organisation, officers, and employees from improper pressure or harassment; and
- 9(2)(k) prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage

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

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Rt Hon Winston Peters

Minister of Foreign Affairs