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G Mitchells  
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Dear G Mitchell

## EXTENSION OF YOUR OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST

On 2 March 2026 you requested the following information from the Department of Internal Affairs, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*I am writing to request information under the Official Information Act 1982 regarding the attendance of Judith Collins at the Munich Security Conference on or around 11 February 2026. I request the following information:*

- 1. The total cost to the New Zealand Government associated with this travel;*
- 2. A breakdown of those costs where possible (including but not limited to international flights, accommodation, meals and incidentals, conference registration fees, security, and administrative support);*
- 3. The titles or official roles of members of the travelling party (including accompanying staff), excluding personal names where appropriate;*
- 4. The stated purpose of the visit, including official objectives, briefing materials, and scheduled meetings.*
- 5. If any part of the requested information is publicly available, please direct me to the relevant source.*

On 6 March item 4 of your request was transferred to the Ministry of Defence.

The documents in scope of your request contain a substantial amount of information which will need to be reviewed and consulted with other government agencies. Therefore I am extending the time for providing this information by 11 working days, to Wednesday, 22 April 2026.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to request the Ombudsman to investigate and review this extension.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Schmidt'.

PP Richard Schmidt  
Deputy Secretary, Defence Policy and Planning