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Marcus  
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Dear Marcus

**Official Information Act request relating to refusals under section 6 of the Official Information Act**

I refer to your Official Information Act request received on 30 October 2017 which asked for:  
*“a list of the subject lines/topics from all Freedom of Information Act requests, ranged from September 1st, 2016 until present day, which were refused under Official Information Act Sections s6(a), s6(b) and s6(e).”*

We have interpreted your request to be for the subject lines or topics of any responses made from 1 September 2016 by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) to requests that DPMC has received under New Zealand’s Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) where these responses included information withheld under sections 6(a), 6(b) and/or 6(e) of the OIA.

Records of DPMC responses to OIA requests are not held in a manner that enables us to easily identify all responses that apply a particular withholding ground. Therefore, to respond to your request, searches have been undertaken of records held to identify any OIA responses relevant to your request as interpreted above. I can confirm that seven OIA responses have been identified. Details of these responses are set out in the table below.

Subject line of response or topic of request	Relevant sections of the OIA
Intelligence and advice to the NZ government related to the 9/11 event	6(a)
Record of OIAs from February 2017	6
Preparation for Trump Administration	6(a) and 6(b)
NSS Handbook examples of 1080 and domestic incident	6(a)
The Steel Industry and Trade Issues	6(a)
Meetings with Australian officials on social security	6(a) and 6(b)
Interactions with United States Film Industry Representatives	6(a)

Although every effort to identify all relevant responses has been made, it is possible that the list provided above is not fully comprehensive. It should be noted that a response to an OIA request can withhold information either in full or in part, and different grounds can be applied in one response. While at least some information was withheld under the relevant sections as listed in the table above, this does not necessarily mean that all of the information was withheld.

For completeness, you are entitled to ask the Ombudsman to review this response under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. You can contact the Ombudsman online via the Ombudsman website, by email ([info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz)) or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143. Further details can be found on the Ombudsman website at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a trailing flourish.

Anne Shaw  
**Director, Office of the Chief Executive**