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Valerie Morse  
BY EMAIL

Dear Ms Morse

## Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your correspondence of 1 June 2017 seeking the following information: Any information you hold about the US-Australia security screening list called "TACTICS" – an abbreviated form of "Tipoff US/Australia, and any information you hold on a US-NZ "no-fly list" or a lesser "selectee list", which included those who do meet the threshold for a no-fly list.

The New Zealand Security Intelligence Service (NZSIS) may cooperate with overseas public authorities in fulfilling any of NZSIS's functions. Information about the conduct of NZSIS's relationships is contained in the Ministerial Policy Statement "Cooperation of New Zealand intelligence and security agencies (GCSB and NZSIS) with overseas public authorities" which can be found on the New Zealand Intelligence Community website ([www.nzic.govt.nz/legislation](http://www.nzic.govt.nz/legislation)).

The content of what is shared between NZSIS and overseas public authorities is often highly sensitive and can reveal the methods and capabilities of NZSIS and other agencies. For this reason your request is declined under sections 6(a), (b), and (c) of the Official Information Act 1982, as the making available of that information would be likely to:

- prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand;
- prejudice the entrusting of information to the Government of New Zealand on a basis of confidence by the Government of any other country or any agency of such a Government; and
- prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial.

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rebecca Kitteridge". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

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Rebecca Kitteridge  
Director-General of Security