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Dear Jason Wu

I refer to your email of 4 June 2019 to the Ministry, via the FYI website, in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"Please confirm the current stance of government for One-China policy. Is it the same as before "the Government acknowledged the position of the Chinese Government that Taiwan was an inalienable part of the territory of the People's Republic of China"?"

New Zealand remains committed to its one-China policy. As stated in the 1972 Joint Communique on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations Between the People's Republic of China and New Zealand: "The Chinese Government reaffirms that Taiwan is an inalienable part of the territory of the People's Republic of China and that Taiwan is a province of the People's Republic of China. The New Zealand Government acknowledges this position of the Chinese Government."

Under New Zealand's one-China policy, the New Zealand Government does not have formal diplomatic relations with Taiwan. New Zealand seeks to develop and maintain economic and cultural links with Taiwan within these parameters.

We hope that this response is helpful, and please note that this letter (with your personal details redacted) may be published on the Ministry's website.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of this response by the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely

Wendy Adams
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade