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**Mr Francis Cole**

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Dear Mr Cole

I refer to your email of 10 January 2020 regarding the Prime Minister's flight to Bangkok in November last year, requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), the list of *passengers on the RNZAF 757 flight on each leg there and back excluding security personnel.*

Flight NSB714 originated in RNZAF Base Whenuapai. The aircraft doors closed at 0550hrs on 3 November 2019, bound for Darwin. It left Darwin at 1030hrs local time, bound for Bangkok International Airport.

On board were the Prime Minister and the Chief Executive of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Dr Brook Barrington, and a party of three others from the Prime Minister's Office, four members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, eight New Zealand media representatives and a member of the Diplomatic Protection Squad; a total of 18 passengers.

This flight left Bangkok International Airport soon after landing, at 1500hrs local time, bound for Rayong / Utaphao, as there was no apron space at Bangkok for the aircraft to stay overnight.

Flight NSB714 originated at Rayong / Utaphao at 1920hrs local time on 4 November 2019, bound for Bangkok International Airport. It left Bangkok at 2200hrs local time bound for Darwin. Next morning at 0740hrs local time the flight departed Darwin bound for RNZAF Base Whenuapai, arriving at 1725hrs local time on 5 November.

On board were the Prime Minister and the Chief Executive of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Dr Brook Barrington, a party of three others from the Prime Minister's Office, fourteen members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, two members of the Diplomatic Protection Squad and nine representatives of New Zealand media; a total of 30 passengers.

I trust that this will fully satisfy your request for official information, but you retain a right under section 28(3) of the OIA to ask an Ombudsman to review this response.

Yours sincerely

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Air Commodore  
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