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Tēnā koe Sebastian

**Request for information under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your request dated 19 January 2022 to the New Zealand Security Intelligence Service (NZSIS), in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*"I would like to request copies of the following documents on the topic of the 2021 reissue of the CusMod Direct Access Agreement:*

- 1) All briefings prepared for the NZSIS Responsible Minister*
- 2) All briefings prepared for the Minister of Customs*

*including any briefings which accompanied the DAA when it was presented to these ministers for their approval."*

On 14 February 2022, the NZSIS partially transferred question two of your request under section 14 of the Act to the New Zealand Customs Service (Customs).

In response to your request for all briefings prepared for the Minister of Customs on the topic of the 2021 reissue of the CusMod Direct Access Agreement, Customs has identified one briefing in scope titled *Joint Briefing Note: Review of CusMod direct access agreement* (reference RPT 21/155), which is identical to the briefing provided to you by the NZSIS in their response to your Official Information Act request on 16 February 2022. This briefing was provided to both the Minister Responsible for New Zealand Security Intelligence Service and the Minister of Customs as a Joint Briefing, and can be accessed through the FYI website link:

<https://fyi.org.nz/request/18256/response/70420/attach/3/CusMod%20DAA%20Briefings%20Redacted.pdf>

Customs has also identified an excerpt in Customs' Weekly Report to the Minister of Customs for the week ending 1 April 2021 that falls within the scope of your request. This is provided in the attached document titled "*OIA 22-011 Weekly Report Excerpt*".

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Please note that Customs proactively releases responses to Official Information Act requests on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after we have sent it to you. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dana McDonald', with a long, sweeping underline.

Dana McDonald  
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