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Dear Scott

Official Information Act request relating to GCSB-NZSIS Ministerial Policy Statement briefings

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 16 March 2022. You requested:

*“ONE: “Review of the Ministerial Policy Statements under the Intelligence and Security Act 2017” [1920NSP/010]
TWO: “Review of the Overseas Cooperation Ministerial Policy Statement: Proposed Consultation Plan” [1920NSP/031]
THREE: “Proposed Revised Approach for Reviewing the Ministerial Policy Statements” [1920NSP/081]
FOUR: “Consultation on Ministerial Policy Statement: Conducting surveillance in a public place” [1920NSP/054]
FIVE: “Review of the Ministerial Policy Statements - revised timing” [2021NSP/010]
SIX: “Consultation on ministerial policy statement: cooperating with overseas public authorities” [2021NSP/030]
SEVEN: “Ministerial Policy Statement: Cooperating with overseas public authorities - approval to reissue” [2021NSP/066]
EIGHT: “Consultation on three Ministerial Policy Statements” [2021NSP/086]
NINE: “Consultation on Ministerial Policy Statement: Information Assurance and Cybersecurity Activities” [02 Jul 2021]
TEN: “Consultation on Ministerial Policy Statement: Information Management” [05 Jul 2021]
ELEVEN: “Consultation on the final three reviewed Ministerial Policy Statements” [27 Oct 2021]”*

I have decided to release the documents listed below, subject to information being withheld as noted. The relevant grounds under which information has been withheld are:

- section 6(a) – the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the Government of New Zealand;
- section 9(2)(a) – the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons.

Item	Date	Document Title
1.	27 September 2019	Review of the Ministerial Policy Statements under the Intelligence and Security Act 2017
2.	24 January 2020	Review of the Ministerial Policy Statements Update and Proposed Consultation Plan

3.	21 June 2020	Briefing: Proposed Revised Approach for Reviewing the Ministerial Policy Statements
4.	22 June 2020	Consultation on Ministerial Policy Statement: Conducting Surveillance in a Public Place
5.	28 August 2020	Review of the Ministerial Policy Statements – Revised Timing
6.	18 December 2020	Consultation on Ministerial Policy Statement: Cooperating with Overseas Public Authorities
7.	12 March 2021	Briefing: Ministerial Policy Statement: Cooperating with Overseas Public Authorities – Approval to Reissue
8.	8 April 2021	Briefing: Consultation on Three Ministerial Policy Statements
9.	2 July 2021	Consultation on Ministerial Policy Statement: Information Assurance and Cybersecurity Activities
10.	5 July 2021	Briefing: Consultation on Ministerial Policy Statement: Information Management
11.	27 October 2021	Briefing: Consultation on the Final Three Reviewed Ministerial Policy Statements

In making my decision, I have taken the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Act into account.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

This response will be published on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Yours sincerely

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