

# Hon Simon Watts

Minister of Climate Change  
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Dear T Murray

Thank you for your email of 3 February 2024 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*Can you please provide a list of all formal advice received and the date of its receipt since 27 November 2023.*

Please refer to **Annex 1** below for a table of information within scope of your request.

The title of one document received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) is partially withheld under section 9(2)(g)(i): to protect the free and frank expression of opinions by departments

Where the information has been withheld under section 9 of the OIA, no public interest in releasing the information has been identified that would override the reasons for withholding it.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision by contacting [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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**Hon Simon Watts**  
Minister of Climate Change

## Annex 1.

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Date Sent	Category	Subject
27/11/2023	Submission	9(2)(g)(i) New Zealand's Foreign Policy
29/11/2023	Submission	Our Australia Relationship
30/11/2023	Submission	UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE: 28TH CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES (COP28): NEW ZEALAND APPROACH AND MINISTERIAL ATTENDANCE
30/11/2023	Informal Note	Marama Royal profile
30/11/2023	Memo	COP28 Opening Plenary Umbrella Group Statement 30 November 2023
30/11/2023	Informal Note	Further information on Climate Change Initiatives
30/11/2023	Informal Note	International Climate Change Initiatives (A3)
1/12/2023	Report	Formal Message: COP28 Security Arrangements
1/12/2023	Talking points	Talking Points - Loss and Damage
1/12/2023	Informal Note	COP28 Invitation to meet with Netherlands
4/12/2023	Talking points	Talking Points - Renewable Energy at COP28
4/12/2023	Informal Note	COP27 (2022) International Climate Change Pledges and Initiatives
4/12/2023	Informal Note	COP28 (2023) International Climate Change Pledges and Initiatives
5/12/2023	Submission	COP28 New Zealand's Official Delegation
5/12/2023	Brief for Event	MINISTER OF CLIMATE CHANGE HON SIMON WATTS 28TH ANNUAL UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE (COP28) Dubai, United Arab Emirates 8 – 12 December 2023
5/12/2023	Brief for Meetings	COP28 MEETINGS & EVENTS
5/12/2023	Brief for Travel	VISIT BY Hon SIMON WATTS MINISTER OF CLIMATE CHANGE to COP28 DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES 8 – 13 DECEMBER 2023 PROGRAMME
6/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	Tokelau – Ulu o Tokelau – Kelihiano Kalolo
7/12/2023	Submission	Minister of Climate Change's International Travel Opportunities 2024
7/12/2023	Submission	COP28: Advice on joining "Gender-Responsive Just Transitions & Climate Action Partnership" initiative
8/12/2023	Speech	COP28 New Zealand National Statement
9/12/2023	Talking points	Media Messages – COP28
9/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	EVENT BRIEF - COP28 Pacific Ministerial Roundtable
9/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	EVENT BRIEF - High-level ministerial round table on pre-2030 ambition
9/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	EVENT BRIEF - Pacific Champions Panel
11/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	MEETING BRIEF SAMOA Minister for Natural Resources and Environment
11/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	MEETING BRIEF Global Methane Hub
11/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	EVENT BRIEF Global Carbon Pricing Challenge Ministerial Event
11/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	EVENT BRIEF - Implementing the Emirates Declaration on Sustainable Agriculture Resilient Food Systems and Climate Action
11/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	EVENT BRIEF - HLD on Climate Finance
11/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	MEETING BRIEF - IRELAND Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications
12/12/2023	Brief for Meeting	Bilateral Meeting with High Commissioner H.E. Harinder Sidhu