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Minister of Foreign Affairs

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Dear M Stephens

Thank you for your email of 7 July 2015 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"...all departmental advice to the Minister of Foreign Affairs between August 2013 and July 2015 on New Zealand's Refugee Resettlement Quota.

If any documents that fall within the scope of my request are to be withheld in full then I would like the titles and dates of those documents to be released. I would also prefer that if my request is expansive enough to trigger a s18(f) refusal that I can be provided with the titles/dates of the relevant documents so that I can focus my request forwards particular documents..."

Documents that have been released to you through earlier requests have not been included. Three documents have been identified relevant to this request however after consultation the decision has been made to withhold these documents in full, including titles and dates, under sections 6(a), 6(b)(i), 6(c), 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(f)(iv) of the OIA.

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

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

Yours sincerely



Hon Murray McCully
Minister of Foreign Affairs