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## Ministry for Primary Industries Manatū Ahu Matua

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Dear A Chela

## OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 14 March 2018 asking for copies of the second level Briefing to the Incoming Ministers.

I can advise that the Ministry for Primary Industries will be publishing these reports on our website shortly, subject to the withholding of information under the following sections of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons
- 9(2)(b)(ii) as disclosure of the information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the subject of the information
- 9(2)(f)(iv) to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being that protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials

Therefore this request is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA. You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to refuse your request.

Yours sincerely

Andrea Speir

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