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Tēnā koe Matt

Official Information Act request

I refer to your email of Friday 8 March 2024, in which you made the following request:

Under the Official Information Act 1982 I request the following since the current Government was sworn in:

- *Any briefings provided to a Minister or Ministers to support conversations the Minister(s) has had with representatives of lobbying groups?*
 - *If briefings have been provided, please also provide any related correspondence between or within agencies/departments/ministries and/or with the Minister or their staff.*
- *A copy of any correspondence the Minister's Office forwarded to the Department from representatives of lobbying groups.*

The Social Wellbeing Agency has not provided any briefings to Ministers to support conversations with representatives of lobbying groups. We have provided advice to the Minister's office on invitations received from charities and NGOs.

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Nāku iti noa, nā



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