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## OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request of 11 October for:

*We request any draft briefings prepared for the incoming Ministers.*

We have decided to refuse your request under section's 9(2)(g)(i) and 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act, in order to protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials, and free and frank opinions.

A Briefing for the Incoming Minister for Women is currently being prepared and will be provided to them in due course.

### **Official Information Act responses**

Please note that this response, with your personal details redacted, may be published on the Ministry's website. If you have any concerns or comments related to this, please let us know by emailing [ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz](mailto:ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz), within two weeks of the date of this letter.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz](mailto:ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz).

Nāku noa, nā



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