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Thank you for your email of 12 April 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Paragraph 38 of the circular advises agencies the following: "Agencies may, on occasion, be asked by their Minister to meet representatives of other parliamentary parties without the Minister present. On such occasions, all those at the meeting should clearly understand that officials are able to provide only a briefing on the issues. As a matter of practice, agencies are advised to keep a record of the substance of any such meeting and consider providing that record to all those who attended the meeting as well as to the Minister. It is also expected that a representative of the relevant portfolio Minister's office or the Prime Minister's office will attend these meetings."

I request copies of all such records under the Official Information Act.

Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development has not been asked to meet with representatives of other political parties. Accordingly, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act, on the ground that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

As part of our ongoing commitment to openness and transparency, the Ministry proactively releases information and documents that may be of interest to the public. As such, this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on our website.

Nāku noa, nā

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