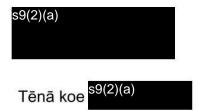
18 April 2023



I refer to your request received on 17 March 2023, which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Your request and response are below:

Any reports, briefings, memos, aide memories, or other documents provided to Minister Carmel Sepuloni from 10 March 2023 until 17 March 2023 in relation to the establishment of the National Erebus Memorial.

There were no documents provided to Minister Sepuloni from 10 March to 17 March 2023 (inclusive). Therefore, the above portion of your request has been refused under 18(e) of the OIA – the information requested does not exist.

Any reports, correspondence, or information in relation to the cliff collapse or the Erebus Memorial at Taurarua/Mataharehare from 10 March 2023 until 17 March 2023 between Ministry staff, or between the Ministry and Ministers, Erebus family members or Auckland Council.

As advised previously, a request for all information related to the National Erebus Memorial would require significant collation and research. It would also require significant resources, impacting on the core functions of the Ministry. Therefore, this portion of your request has been refused under section 18(f) of the OIA – the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

There is no further information in scope of this request. Therefore, the remainder of your request has been refused under 18(e) of the OIA – the information requested does not exist.

Please note that administrative emails, such as correspondence relating to media requests and responses to OIA requests, have been excluded.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact OIA@mch.govt.nz.

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 <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we may publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Ministry's website.

Nāku noa, nā



Glenis Philip-Barbara

Pou Mataaho o Te Hua - Deputy Chief Executive, Delivery