

19 May 2023

s9(2)(a)

Tēnā koe s9(2)(a)

I refer to your requests received on 21 and 28 April 2023, which have been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) for the following information:

1. Any reports, briefings, memos, aide memories, or other documents by title and date provided to Minister Carmel Sepuloni from 16 April 2023 until 21 April 2023 in relation to the establishment of the National Erebus Memorial.
2. Any reports or correspondence in relation to the cliff collapse at Taurarua from 3 March 2023 until 21 April 2023 between the Ministry and ENGeo, Erebus family members or Auckland Council.
3. Any correspondence between Auckland Council and MCH in relation to the proposed Erebus memorial between 16 April 2023 and 21 April 2023.
4. Any images of the cliff face and surrounds as shared with MCH between 16 April 2023 and 21 April 2023.
5. Any reports, briefings, memos, aide memories, or other documents by title and date provided to Minister Carmel Sepuloni from 21 April 2023 until 28 April 2023 in relation to the establishment of the National Erebus Memorial.
6. Any reports or correspondence in relation to the cliff collapse at Taurarua from 21 April 2023 to 28 April 2023 between the Ministry and ENGeo, Erebus family members or Auckland Council.
7. Any correspondence between Auckland Council and MCH in relation to the proposed Erebus memorial between 21 April 2023 and 28 April 2023

The Ministry has previously provided you with information relating to part 2 of your request, within the timeframe of 3 May 2023 to 16 April 2023, between the Ministry and ENGeo, Erebus family members or Auckland Council (DOIA23 072, DOIA23 074, DOIA23 084, and DOIA23 086 s9(2)(a) Response refers).

#### Information being released

Please find attached in Appendix One, two emails in scope of parts 3 and 7 of the above request.

I have decided to release the relevant parts of the documents listed above, subject to information being withheld under one or more of the following section 9(2)(a) of the OIA - to protect the privacy of natural persons.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the OIA. I do not consider these considerations outweigh the need to withhold the information.

Additionally, The following two phone call records, fall in scope of your request:

From	To	Date & Time	Content
Manatū Taonga Chief Executive Laulu Mac Leauanae	Auckland Council Chief Executive Officer	28 April 2023 12.04pm	To inform the recipient of the decision to move the Erebus Memorial Site from Dove-Myer Robinson Park
Manatū Taonga Chief Executive Laulu Mac Leauanae	Waitematā Local Board Chairperson	28 April 2023 12.07pm	To inform the recipient of the decision to move the Erebus Memorial Site from Dove-Myer Robinson Park

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

#### Information publicly available

The following information is also covered by your request and is, or will soon be, publicly available on the Ministry's website:

Item	Date	Document Description
1.	11 April 2023	Decision Memo 24 April 2023 signed by the Chief Executive
2.	24 April 2023	AM23/215 National Erebus Memorial – Decision-making and announcement on next steps

There are no additional documents within the scope of your request, other than the information that has already been provided to you previously.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [oia@mch.govt.nz](mailto: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 [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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

Nāku noa, nā

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