

9 September 2026

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RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (REF: DOIA011-2026/27)

On 1 September 2026, you contacted the Ministry for Pacific Peoples (the Ministry) requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), relating to all communications between the Ministry and the National Party Leaders' Office, from 3 February 2025 to 1 September 2026. I have outlined your specific request and my response below.

Under the Official Information Act 1982 I request copies of the following documents?

- all communications between your agency and the National Party Leaders' Office, from 3 February 2025 to today's date.

- This should include, but not be limited to emails, text messages, letters, meeting invitations, WhatsApp messages.

Where you choose to withhold a document, I request the name of the document and the reason it was withheld.

We have undertaken reasonable searches for information within the scope of your request and have identified no communications, including emails, text messages, letters, meeting invitations or WhatsApp messages, between the Ministry and the National Party Leaders' Office during the period 3 February 2025 to 1 September 2026. Accordingly, your request is refused under section 18(g) of the OIA, as the information requested is not held by the Ministry.

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If you are dissatisfied with this response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sione Siale', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Sione Siale
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