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Ministry for Ethnic Communities
Te Tari Mātāwaka

s9(2)(a) [redacted]

Our ref: OIA 2627-0186

Tēnā koe s9(2)(a) [redacted]

Response to your Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 10 August 2026 to the Ministry for Ethnic Communities (the Ministry) requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

> *All meetings held by members of your agency with Labour MPs and/or staff since February 10, 2025.*
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> *Information should include:*
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> - *Date and purpose of meetings*
> - *Any notes taken by your agency from the meeting.*
> - *Any material produced and/or sent from the meeting by your agency*
> - *Any material produced and/or sent from the meeting from Labour MPs/staff, received by your agency.*
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> *Any recollection of the meeting material, either through documentation, emails, texts, or memory.*
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> *I am also requesting the same information for both the Green Party (MPs and staff), and Te Pati Māori (MPs and staff).*

The Ministry has not held any meetings with staff or Members of Parliament from the Labour Party, Green Party and Te Pati Māori and therefore, does not hold any related information. As such, your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

Under section 28 of the OIA, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my response relating to this request. The relevant details can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note, due to the public interest in our work, the Ministry may publish responses to requests for official information on our website, shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: Ministerial@ethniccommunities.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi

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Director of Ministerial Services

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