



17 July 2024

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Dear 9(2)(a)

I write regarding your email of 19 June 2024 to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

This is a request for clarification of official information under the under the Official Information Act 1982 in relation to the Bonn Climate Change Conference (2024)

We request the following information:

- *The total number of staff who went, broken down by job title and workplace.*
- *The total cost of these trips.*
 - *Please also provide individual costs broken down by activity (i.e. flights, accommodation, entertainment, food, drink) and, where possible, job title*
- *The total number who flew business class and/or had special lounge access.*
 - *Please provide a breakdown of these costs*
- *How many in-country MFAT staff attended*

On 18 June 2024, MFAT partially transferred your request to the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry) under section 14 of the Act.

The Ministry has collated the information in-scope of your request in the document titled *OIA International Travel Bonn, Germany* and is releasing this to you in full.

Four Ministry officials attended the 60th meeting of the Subsidiary Bodies under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) as a part of the New Zealand delegation led out of MFAT. New Zealand is an active participant at UNFCCC negotiations and the Ministry is the agency responsible for the negotiations on Article 6 Carbon Markets, Adaptation, Transparency, and Science.

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

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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