



12 April 2023

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Ref: OIA-2022/23-0785

Dear [Redacted]

**Official Information Act request for plans for NZ to shift to a self-contained economy**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 10 April 2023. You requested:

*I would like to request any information regarding to plans of NZ shifting to a self-contained economy, as some sort national BCP.”*

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet does not hold any information relating to New Zealand ‘shifting to a self-contained economy’, whether as part of a business continuity plan or otherwise. Therefore, your request is declined under section 18(e) of the Act: the information requested does not exist.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

[Redacted Signature]

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