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Tēnā koe

Thank you for your email of 4 August 2024, partially transferred from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet on 16 August 2024, in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

"Please provide all reports, minutes, and summaries arising from the following engagements attended by Prime Minister Christopher Luxon:

- 1. A meeting with Deputy Secretary of State Kurt Campbell on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 2. A meeting with US Senators, including Senator Maria Cantwell, Senator Jon Ossoff and Senator Amy Klobuchar on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 3. A meeting with members of the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 4. A meeting with members of the House Foreign Relations Committee on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC*
- 5. A meeting with members of the House Ways and Means Committee on 10 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 6. A meeting with the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau on 10 July 2024 in Washington DC*
- 7. A meeting with French President Emmanuel Macron on 10 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 8. A meeting with US Senator Ted Cruz on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 9. A meeting with NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 10. A meeting of the NATO Indo-Pacific Four, on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 11. A meeting with US President Joe Biden and US Secretary of State Antony Blinken on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 12. A meeting with the Prime Minister of the Netherlands, Dick Schoof, on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC.*
- 13. A meeting with the Prime Minister of Spain, Pedro Sanchez, on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC."*

On 5 September 2024, you agreed to refine your request to exclude parts 8, 12 and 13 of your original request.

On 12 September 2024, the timeframes for responding to your request were extended by an additional 20 working days because responding to your request necessitated the review of a large quantity of information, and due to the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request (section 15A(1)(a) and (b) of the OIA refers).

The information relevant to your request is attached (contents detailed in **Annex A**). We have withheld some information under the following sections of the OIA:

- 6(a): to avoid prejudicing the security or defence of New Zealand or the international relations of the New Zealand Government;
- 6(b)(i): to protect the passing of information from another government on a confidential basis;
- 6(b)(ii): to protect the passing of information from an international organisation on a confidential basis;
- 9(2)(g)(i): to protect the free and frank expression of opinions by departments.

Where the information has been withheld under section 9 of the OIA, we have identified no public interest in releasing the information that would override the reasons for withholding it.

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Nāku noa, nā



Sarah Corbett
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Annex A

Request #	Meeting	Documents in scope	Pages
1	A meeting with Deputy Secretary of State Kurt Campbell on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> File Note: Prime Minister Christopher Luxon meeting with US Deputy Secretary of State, Kurt Campbell FORMAL MESSAGE: UNITED STATES: VISIT TO WASHINGTON DC BY PRIME MINISTER LUXON 	1-5 44-49
2	A meeting with US Senator Maria Cantwell on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.	Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with Senator Maria Cantwell (Democrat – Washington)	6-7
2	A meeting with US Senator Jon Ossoff on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.	File Note: Bilateral Meeting with Senator Jon Ossoff	8-9
2	A meeting with US Senator Amy Klobuchar on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.	Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with Senator Amy Klobuchar (Democrat – Minnesota)	10
3	A meeting with members of the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC.	Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with Senate Foreign Relations Committee	11-13
4	A meeting with members of the House Foreign Relations Committee on 9 July 2024 in Washington DC	Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with House Foreign Affairs Leadership	14-15
5	A meeting with members of the House Ways and Means Committee on 10 July 2024 in Washington DC.	File Note: Bilateral Meeting with House Ways and Means Committee	16-19
6	A meeting with the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau on 10 July 2024 in Washington DC	File Note: Bilateral Meeting with the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau	37-49
7	A meeting with French President Emmanuel Macron on 10 July 2024 in Washington DC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email - FORMAL MESSAGE: NATO SUMMIT, WASHINGTON, 9-11 JULY: PM LUXON : SESSION FOR INDO PACIFIC PARTNERS AND BILATERAL ENGAGEMENTS File Note: Bilateral Meeting with President Emmanuel Macron of France 	20-29 42-43

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10	A meeting of the NATO Indo-Pacific Four, on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email - FORMAL MESSAGE: NATO SUMMIT, WASHINGTON, 9-11 JULY: PM LUXON : SESSION FOR INDO PACIFIC PARTNERS AND BILATERAL ENGAGEMENTS File Note: IP4 Leaders Meeting – Session One and Two 	20-29 30-36
11	A meeting with US President Joe Biden and US Secretary of State Antony Blinken on 11 July 2024 in Washington DC.	FORMAL MESSAGE: UNITED STATES: VISIT TO WASHINGTON DC BY PRIME MINISTER LUXON	44-49

File Note: Prime Minister Christopher Luxon meeting with US Deputy Secretary of State, Kurt Campbell

New Zealand Residence, Washington DC.

9 July 2024, 0730

Attendees:

New Zealand:

- Prime Minister Luxon
- Ambassador to the US Rosemary Banks
- CE DPMC Ben King
- Foreign Policy Adviser to the PM Mark Talbot
- DCM Dan Mellsop
- Political Counsellor Andrew Gillespie

US:

- Deputy Secretary Campbell
 - Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific, Dan Kritenbrink
- s6(a)

1. The **Prime Minister** said s6(a)

Under his government there had been a foreign policy reset. New Zealand had an independent foreign policy, sure – but so too did 195 other countries. s6(a)

2. The PM understood that economic prosperity and security were inextricably linked. We could not have one without the other. s6(a)

3. New Zealand was undertaking a massive reset of our foreign policy across the Indo-Pacific. Ministers were “hitting it hard” in the region, with visits across South East Asia, Japan, and the Pacific. s9(2)(g)(i)

Our foreign policy on the region was maturing – s9(2)(g)(i)

4. s6(a)

s6(a)

5. s6(a)

6. s6(a)

7. With a big shift under way in the geostrategic environment, New Zealand needed to turn its words into actions. The new government was trying to step up. The Red Sea; our commitment to sanctions monitoring; the tripling of our presence on the Korean peninsula – these were all examples of New Zealand's intention to be a reliable global partner.

8. s6(a)

9. s6(a)

10. s6(a)

11. s6(a)

12. s6(b)(i)

13. s6(b)(i)

14. s6(b)(i)

15. s6(b)(i)

16. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

17. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

18. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

19. s6(b)(i)

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s6(a), s6(b)(i)

20. The Prime Minister asked Campbell to chair a Strategic Dialogue with, on the New Zealand side, the CEs of MFAT, DPMC, and Defence. s6(a)

21. s6(b)(i)

22. s6(b)(i)

23. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

24. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

25. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

26. s6(b)(i)

27. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

28. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

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Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with Senator Maria Cantwell (Democrat – Washington)

9 July 2024, Washington DC

1. The Prime Minister's programme on Capitol Hill commenced with a meeting with Senator Maria Cantwell (Democrat – Washington). Cantwell is the Chair of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation. As Chair of the Committee, she has significant influence over domestic policy and legislative matters at the Senate, including the decision on whether to ban TikTok from the US.

2. s6(b)(i)

3. s6(b)(i)

4. s6(b)(i)

5. s6(a)

s6(b)(i)

6. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

7. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

s6(b)(i)

8. Luxon noted the strong space collaboration between our countries. s6(b)(i)

9. Luxon welcomed Cantwell to New Zealand. s6(b)(i)

10. Cantwell was interested in New Zealand's provision of free breast screening to women between 45 and 96. Luxon explained that this was done through our national health system. He noted that this system was very different to that of the US, which he and his family had experienced.

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File Note: Bilateral Meeting with Senator Jon Ossoff

9 July 2024, Washington DC
11.45am – 12.45pm

Attendees

- Senator Ossoff
- Chief of Staff Rey Benitez
- Deputy Chief of Staff Myriam Lipper
- Legislative Assistant ^{s6(a)}

- PM Luxon
- CE DPM&C Ben King
- Ambassador to US Rosemary Banks
- Foreign Policy Adviser to the PM Mark Talbot
- Senior Press Secretary Lesley Hamilton

1. ^{s6(b)(i)}

2. ^{s6(b)(i)}

3. ^{s6(b)(i)}

4. ^{s6(b)(i)}

NZ US relations

5. ^{s6(a)}

Indo-Pacific

6. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

US domestic politics

7. s6(b)(i)

8. s6(b)(i)

9. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

10. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

11. s6(b)(i)

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Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with Senator Amy Klobuchar (Democrat – Minnesota)

9 July 2024, Washington DC

1. Prime Minister Luxon met with Senator Amy Klobuchar (Democrat – Minnesota). Klobuchar is the Chair of the Senate Rules Committee and a senior Democrat at the Senate. She ran for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2020.

2. s6(b)(i)

3. Luxon provided an outline of his visit to Washington in the context of the NATO Summit. He outlined New Zealand's foreign policy reset and our desire to be a trusted likeminded partner of the US. s6(a)

Luxon highlighted New Zealand's contributions towards supporting global peace and security. We had renewed our deployment to support the counter-Houthi operation in the Red Sea. We actively contributed to the UN sanctions efforts in North Korea.

4. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

5. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

6. s6(b)(i)

7. Luxon noted that he had banned mobile phones in schools in New Zealand. s6(b)(i)

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Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with Senate Foreign Relations Committee

9 July 2024, Washington DC

1. Prime Minister Luxon met with eight members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in a working coffee session.

- Chairman Ben Cardin (Democrat – Maryland)
- Ranking Member Jim Risch (Republican – Idaho)
- Tim Kaine (Democrat – Virginia)
- Chris Van Hollen (Democrat – Maryland)
- Jeff Merkley (Democrat – Oregon)
- Brian Schatz (Democrat – Hawai'i)
- Pete Ricketts (Republican – Nebraska)
- Tim Scott (Republican – South Carolina) s6(a)

2. s6(b)(i)

s6(a), s6(b)(i)

s6(b)(i)

3. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

4. Luxon outlined New Zealand's foreign policy reset, which oriented New Zealand intensely around the Indo-Pacific. He added that what happens in Europe is connected to what happens in the Indo-Pacific. s9(2)(g)(i)

5. s6(a)

6. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

s6(a), s6(b)(i)

7. Luxon asked the group about its views on trade. He thought that a US – NZ bilateral FTA would be beneficial s6(a)
s6(b)(i)

8. s6(b)(i)

9. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

s6(a)

s6(a), s6(b)(i)

10. s6(b)(i) was interested in AUKUS s6(b)(i) asked about
how New Zealand fitted into Pillar 2. s6(a)

Luxon explained that New Zealand was interested in Pillar 2. s6(a)

s6(b)(i)

11. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

12. s6(b)(i)

s6(a), s6(b)(i)

s6(a)

13. s6(b)(i)

. Luxon said that the PIF s6(a)
wanted to address Pacific challenges with Pacific solutions. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

14. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

15. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

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Note for File: Prime Minister Luxon's meeting with House Foreign Affairs Leadership

9 July 2024, Washington DC

1. Prime Minister Luxon met with the leadership of the Foreign Affairs Committee in the US House of Representatives, Chairman Michael McCaul (Republican – Texas) and Ranking Member Gregory Meeks (Democrat – New York). McCaul and Meeks are the most senior Members of the House with responsibility for foreign affairs.
2. Luxon commenced the meeting by outlining his visit to Washington D.C. in the context of the NATO Summit. He outlined New Zealand's foreign policy reset ^{s6(a), s9(2)(g)} (i)

Luxon highlighted New Zealand's contributions to supporting likeminded efforts to achieve global peace and security. We had deployed troops to train Ukrainian soldiers. We had renewed our deployment to the counter-Houthi operation in the Red Sea. We had tripled our contingent which was deployed to the Korean Peninsula. Luxon noted that that New Zealand was committed to stepping up its defence capabilities and ensuring we were interoperable with Australia.

3. Luxon noted that the US's diplomatic and defence presence in the region was strong. ^{s6(a)}

4. ^{s6(b)(i)}

5. ^{s6(a), s6(b)(i)}

that New Zealand was ^{s6(a)}

exploring Pillar 2, ^{s6(a)}
^{s6(a), s6(b)(i)}

Luxon said

6. ^{s6(a), s6(b)(i)}

s6(a), s6(b)(i)

7. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

8. s6(b)(i)

9. s6(a)

10. s6(b)(i), s6(a)

11. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

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File Note: Bilateral Meeting with House Ways and Means Committee

10 July 2024, Washington DC

2:15 – 2:50pm

Attendees:

New Zealand

- Prime Minister Chris Luxon
- Ambassador to the US Rosemary Banks
- CE DPMC, Ben King
- Foreign Policy Adviser to the PM, Mark Talbot
- Senior Press Secretary, Lesley Hamilton
- Trade Counsellor, Ed McIsaac
- Senior Policy Officer, Kelsie Wilkinson
- Second Secretary, Karishma Patel

United States

- Chair of Ways and Means Committee, Jason Smith (R-MO)
- Chair of Ways and Means Trade Sub Committee Adrian Smith (R-NE)
- Ways and Means Member Carol Miller (R-WV)
- Ways and Means Member Beth Van Duyne (R-TX)
- Josh Snead – Ways and Means Chief Trade Counsel (R)
- s6(a)
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- Various other staffers

New Zealand Foreign Policy re-set

1. Prime Minister Luxon (PM) began the meeting by talking about his Government's foreign policy reset with the Indo-Pacific. He was pleased to see the growth of plurilaterals such as AUKUS, the Quad, IP4 and the US engagement with countries such as the Philippines, ROK and Japan. There were numerous concerns concerning global flash-points, such as DPRK and the South China Seas. For New Zealand the security and economic dimensions were linked and important.
2. The PM outlined his recent trips to SE Asia and Japan, as important indications of the Government's focus. s6(a)

3. s6(b)(i)

s6(a)

4. The PM noted that an important leg of the stool in the Indo-Pacific, in the Pacific, was the economic dimension. s6(a)

5. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

The PM said NZ would also provide funding to relevant development banks, s6(a)

6. The PM complimented the recent engagement of the US in the Pacific s6(a)

The PM noted that IPEF through its 4 pillars presented some "good opportunities" s6(a)

China

7. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

Casting forward on US approaches to trade

8. The PM asked about how trade would continue to play out in the US. s6(b)(i)

9. s6(b)(i)

s6(a), s6(b)(i)

10. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

New Zealand and the US

11. s6(b)(i) asked what they could do to lift the economic relationship with New Zealand. The PM responded that an FTA was a missing piece of architecture.
s6(a), s6(b)(i)

12. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

13. s6(a)

14. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

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15. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

16. s6(a)

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[File Note Trudeau Luxon bilateral.docx](#)
[File Note - NATO Summit - NZ- Dutch PM - 11 July 2024.docx](#)
[File Note - NATO Summit - NZ-SG - 11 July 2024.docx](#)
[File Note - NATO Summit - NZ-France - 10 July 2024.docx](#)
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RĀPOPOTO – SUMMARY

Prime Minister Luxon and his fellow leaders from NATO's four Indo Pacific partners were warmly welcomed to Washington DC to attend the annual NATO Leaders' Summit. Meeting in the Alliance's 75th year, this year's Summit was meant to be a celebration of 'the oldest and most successful Alliance in history'. But amid sweltering heat and against a backdrop of the damage caused by Hurricane Beryl, ^{s6(a)}

Russian advances on the battlefield, Chinese military exercises with Belarus near the Polish border and universal revulsion at the missile attacks on a children's hospital in Kyiv, the mood was decidedly sombre. Only the Men's European Football Championship semi-finals provided any light relief and then only for the Spanish and English fans.

In their formal session with the Indo Pacific partners, NATO Allies repeatedly underscored the interconnectedness between the Euro Atlantic and Indo Pacific regions. ^{s6(a), s6(b)(i)}

Separately, Prime Minister Luxon chaired an IP4 Leaders Meeting, where Korean President Yoon, Japanese Prime Minister Kishida and Australian Deputy Prime Minister Marles each expressed a commitment to taking the format forward as a vehicle for continued collaboration on regional security issues. President Biden also made a point of spending time with the IP4 Leaders collectively, ^{s6(a)}

IP4 leaders also met as a group with Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, ^{s6(b)(i)}

s6(a)
s6(b)(i)

NATO and New Zealand furthered their bilateral relationship with Secretary General Stoltenberg and Prime Minister Luxon announcing the conclusion of New Zealand's Individually Tailored Partnership Programme – the ITPP – which sets up New Zealand's bilateral partnership with NATO for the next four years.

HOHENGA – ACTION

Future NATO Summits:

BRU/EUR/HAG/ISED – per HAG previous formal messages, Netherlands will host the NATO Summit in the Hague, 24 to 26 June 2025.

BRU/EUR/MEA/ISED – note that Turkey will host the NATO Summit in 2026 on dates yet to be announced.

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Policy follow-up:

BRU/ISED/Defence – note that the Leaders warmly welcomed the NATO-IP4 flagship projects and formally noted them. Ngā mihi nui for the excellent mahi to develop these projects.

BRU/ISED/OTT/Defence – note that Canada formally launched the Climate Change and Security Centre of Excellence, paragraph 29.

BRU/ISED/Defence – note New Zealand signed a MOU joining the UK/Latvian led "Drone Coalition" which has announced a new common funding pool of €45 million to help get unmanned systems in the hands of Ukrainian fighters more quickly.

BRU/EUR/ISED/Defence – note that NATO has a project under the Comprehensive Assistance Package (CAP) for Ukraine to supply uniforms and equipment for Ukrainian servicewomen, paragraph XX, funding for which may be worth considering.

s6(a)

Hei titiro māu – for information.

ĀPITIHINGA – ATTACHMENTS

- Prime Minister's intervention delivered at the NATO Summit;
- Note of IP4 meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Kishida, Korean President Yoon, Australian Deputy Prime Minister Marles and Ukrainian President Zelenskyy;
- Note of bilateral meeting with Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau;
- Note of bilateral meeting with Estonian Prime Minister Kaja Kallas;
- Note of bilateral meeting with French President Emmanuel Macron;
- Note of bilateral meeting with NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg;
- Note of pull aside meeting with Dutch Prime Minister Schoof;
- Note of bilateral meeting with Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez.

PŪRONGO – REPORT

This is a joint report with WSH – ngā mihi nui for the excellent collaboration to deliver a successful Summit.

The New Zealand Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. Christopher Luxon, attended the NATO annual Leaders' Summit in Washington DC along with NATO's four partners in the Indo Pacific (Australia, Japan, New Zealand and Republic of Korea) and the EU. He held several bilateral engagements with leaders of other NATO Allies, chaired a meeting of the 'IP4' leaders and Ukraine and participated in a session of the Summit with the Allies, the four Indo Pacific partners and the EU.

2 Prime Minister Kishida and President Yoon participated for Japan and the Republic of Korea respectively while Australia was represented by Deputy Prime Minister Richard Marles. President of the European Council, Charles Michel, attended for the EU, but President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, remained in Brussels^{s6(a)}

The European Commission was represented by the outgoing High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy (HRVP) Josep Borrell.

3 In this formal message, we report on the Prime Minister's participation in the session for NATO's Indo Pacific partners and the EU, the IP4 leaders meeting and his bilateral engagements. Our separate message sent [today] covers the other outcomes of the Summit, including with regard to Ukraine. WSH's separate formal message of 15 July covers the Prime Minister's bilateral US engagements.

4 Officials also attended several side events covering women, peace and security, climate change and security, defence industrial production the outcomes of which are also recorded in this message.

5 The NATO Secretary General's public opening remarks at the start of the Indo Pacific and EU session are available to read and view [here](#).

NATO Summit: session with Indo Pacific partners and the European Union

Indo Pacific partners are welcome ...

6 Participating for the third time in a row, the leaders of NATO's four Indo Pacific partners were again warmly welcomed to the Summit.
s6(b)(ii)

s6(b)(i)

7 Much was made of the shared values and interests between the Allies and the Indo Pacific partners. s6(b)(i)

And NATO-IP4 cooperation deepened.

8 NATO Allies and partners warmly welcomed the NATO-Indo Pacific partners 'flagship projects' (BRU's formal messages of 27 March and 24 April refer). s6(a), s6(b)(ii)

these four projects cover cooperation on military healthcare for Ukraine, cyber defence, artificial intelligence and hybrid/disinformation.
s6(b)(i)

9 s6(b)(i)

Recognition that Euro Atlantic and Indo Pacific security is interlinked ...

10 Allies and partners highlighted the interconnected nature of security in the Euro Atlantic and Indo Pacific regions s6(a), s6(b)(i)

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s6(b)(i)

12 Allies also drew attention to North Korea's supply of weapons and ammunition to Russia ^{s6(b)(i)}

s6(a), s6(b)(i)

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Prime Minister's intervention

18 Prime Minister Luxon delivered the attached intervention
s6(a)

and underlining New Zealand's unwavering support for Ukraine.

Meeting of the Indo Pacific Partners and Ukraine

19 The IP4 Leaders gathered on the margins of the summit in a meeting chaired by New Zealand Prime Minister Luxon. The leaders exchanged views on a range of shared regional challenges, including:

- a. s6(a)
- b. The DPRK's growing belligerence and nuclear ambitions on the Korean Peninsula; and,
- c. The deepening relationship between the DPRK, s6(a)

20 Prime Minister Luxon, Korean President Yoon, Japanese Prime Minister Kishida and Australian Deputy Prime Minister Marles in each of their remarks expressed a commitment to taking the format forward as a vehicle for continued collaboration on regional security issues.

21 In the latter half of the meeting, Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy joined IP4 leaders ^{s6(b)(i)}

22 After the IP4 meeting, the four leaders met briefly with President Biden for a group photo opportunity. ^{s6(a), s6(b)(i)}

NATO-New Zealand Individually Tailored Partnership Programme (ITPP)

23 Prime Minister Luxon and Secretary General Stoltenberg formally announced [Tweet by SG](#) the conclusion of the NATO-New Zealand Individually Tailored Partnership Programme (ITPP). Further to BRU's formal message of 13 June, the ITPP sets out the areas where New Zealand and NATO will cooperate bilaterally over the next four years, including on issues such as cyber defence, climate change and security, emerging technologies and operations preparation and training for NZDF.

Bilateral meetings

24 The Prime Minister met bilaterally with several NATO leaders in the margins of the Summit. Full notes are attached for:

- Bilateral meeting with Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau;
 - Out of scope
- Bilateral meeting with French President Emmanuel Macron;
- Bilateral meeting with NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg;
 - Out of scope
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24 Additionally, Prime Minister Luxon had a scheduled pull-aside with US President Biden (WSH reftel refers).

25 The PM had informal engagements with most leaders at the 75th Anniversary Reception and White House dinner. He managed to speak informally to 20-plus leaders, ^{s6(a)}

26 The President made a particular point of spending time with the IP4 leaders collectively. The import of the moment was in the President's enthusiasm and bonhomie ^{s6(a)}

and in the way he did that engagement in a meaningful way

s6(a)

The President praised their contribution in the region, highlighting them as great allies doing wonderful things with the US.

27

s6(b)(i)

The PM praised the leadership of the Biden Admin, not just in its return to the SW Pacific, but also in the wider Indo-Pacific.

Summit Side Events

28 Officials participated in several side events at the Summit.

NATO Climate Change and Security Centre of Excellence (CCASCOE)

29 Taking place amid searing heat and against the backdrop of the devastation caused by Hurricane Beryl, Canada formally launched the NATO-affiliated Climate Change and Security Centre of Excellence (CCASCOE). For Canada, it is particularly concerned about the impact of climate change on its Arctic areas ^{s6(b)(i)}

The panel discussion highlighted that climate change was no longer a threat multiplier but the threat itself. ^{s6(a)}

Women, Peace and Security

30 NATO launched its updated Women, Peace and Security [Policy](#) at an event hosted by **US Ambassador at Large for Global Women's Issues**, Geeta Rao Gupta, and **NATO Secretary General's Special Representative for Women, Peace and Security**, Irene Fellin. Highlighting the experiences of women in Ukraine, one Ukrainian servicewoman reflected that she had lost a friend in the attack on the children's hospital in Kyiv the previous day (the friend had worked at the hospital). Fellin described NATO's work to ensure that Ukrainian service women had properly fitting uniforms and equipment with funding via the NATO Comprehensive Assistance Package (CAP) which were vital for ensuring that Ukrainian service women were properly protected and able to do their jobs. The other key theme from the event was the impact of new technologies, particularly technology-enabled gender-based violence. Canada had just appointed **General Jennie Carigan** as Chief of Defence Staff who was already the target of disinformation designed to undermine the Canadian armed forces and Canadians' trust in her. ^{s6(a)}

UK/Latvia – Drone Coalition

31 New Zealand (NATO HoM) signed a MOU joining the UK/Latvian led "Drone Coalition" which has announced a new common funding pool of €45 million to help get unmanned systems in the hands of Ukrainian fighters more quickly.

Defence Industry Forum

32 The US Chamber of Commerce hosted the Defence Industry Forum which brought together government officials, industry leaders and defence officials. **US National Security Adviser**, Jake Sullivan, delivered a keynote [address](#) highlighting the need for Allies to meet their commitment to spend two percent of GDP on defence. He specifically praised the cooperation of the Indo Pacific partners and particularly noted that three of these partners (Australia, Japan, Republic of Korea) were on track to spend two percent of their GDP on defence. Other key themes of the panel discussion included the need to strengthen and increase defence production through public private partnerships, the requirement for standardisation and commonality of systems across NATO Allies and the need for more multiyear, multinational procurement contracts underpinned by strong supply chains.

TĀKUPU – COMMENT

33 A lot has changed since the Allies last joined with their Indo Pacific partners in Vilnius in 2023. ^{s6(a)}

But against this backdrop, the Summit nonetheless exuded a real sense of urgency as Allies and partners alike battle to stay ahead of the challenges of inter-state warfare in Europe.

33 In this context, the nature of NATO's engagement with its Indo Pacific partners has also changed. ^{s6(a), s6(b)(i)}

NATO and its Indo Pacific partners have stepped up their practical cooperation by agreeing to advance four 'flagship projects' on key shared security challenges.

34 Joining the Allies for the third time, the presence of the four Indo Pacific partners at NATO leader-level engagements now seems well embedded, but it cannot be taken for granted. ^{s6(a)}

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36 s6(a) the task of
organising and chairing of this year's IP4 meeting fell to New Zealand.
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New Zealand's chairing of the IP4 meeting elevated our profile at the NATO
Summit. s6(a)

MUTU – ENDS

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File Note: IP4 Leaders Meeting – Session One and Two

July 11 2024

Attendees:

New Zealand

- Prime Minister Luxon
- Foreign Policy Adviser to the PM Mark Talbot
- NZ Ambassador to the US Rosemary Banks
- NZ Ambassador to NATO Simon Draper
- CE DPMC Ben King

Republic of Korea

- President Yoon Suk Yeol
- Minister of Foreign Affairs Cho Tae-yul
- Director of National Security Chang Hojin
- Principal Deputy National Security adviser^{s6(a)}

Japan

- Prime Minister Fumio Kishida
- Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary Hideki Murai
- Secretary General of National Security Secretariat Takeo Akiba
- Director General for Asian and Oceanian Affairs Bureau Hiroyuki Namazu

Australia

- Deputy Prime Minister Richard Marles
- Australian Ambassador to the EU, NATO, Belgium and Luxembourg Caroline Millar
- Australian Ambassador to the United States Kevin Rudd
- Senior Adviser to the Deputy Prime Minister^{s6(a)}

Ukraine

- President Volodymyr Zelenskyy
- Deputy Prime Minister Olha Stefanishyna
- Head of the office of the President of Ukraine Andriy Yermak
- Minister of Defence Rustem Umerov

SUMMARY:

- The leaders of the IP4 gathered on the margins of the 2024 NATO summit in a meeting hosted and chaired by New Zealand Prime Minister Luxon. The leaders of New Zealand, the Republic of Korea and Japan, and the Deputy Prime Minister of Australia exchanged views on a range of shared regional challenges, including:
 - s6(a), s6(b)(i)
 - The DPRK's growing belligerence and nuclear ambitions on the Korean Peninsula; and,
 - The deepening relationship between the DPRK, s6(a)
- In each of their remarks the leaders expressed a commitment to taking the format forward as a vehicle for continued collaboration on regional security issues.
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- Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy joined the IP4 leaders for the second half of the meeting. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

SESSION ONE: IP4: NZL/ROK/JPN/AUS*New Zealand*

- Prime Minister Luxon welcomed the leaders of the ROK, Japan and the Australian Deputy Prime Minister to the third consecutive meeting of the IP4, on the margins of the 75th Annual summit of NATO. He noted the importance of meeting as a group to underscore the growing interconnectedness between the threats in our region and those playing out in the Euro-Atlantic context – none starker than Russia's ongoing and illegal invasion of Ukraine.
- Prime Minister Luxon thanked President Yoon for his leadership in developing a joint IP4 Leaders' statement condemning the burgeoning military cooperation between Russia and the DPRK.
- He emphasised New Zealand's commitment to being an "active and engaged" partner alongside the other IP4 countries to contribute to regional security. "This IP4 meeting at Leaders' level provides a strong foundation on which we should do more together".
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SESSION TWO: IP4: NZL/ROK/JPN/AUS + UKRAINE

- Ukraine's President Zelenskyy joined IP4 leaders following the conclusion of the IP4 Leaders Meeting. In his welcoming remarks, Prime Minister Luxon acknowledged President Zelenskyy's leadership in the face of Russian aggression.
- PM Luxon offered New Zealand's condolences for Russia's bombing of civilian areas throughout Ukraine, "including Ukraine's largest children's hospital in Kyiv. We share your outrage at Russia's callous disregard for human life".

Ukraine

- President Zelenskyy thanked President Yoon, Prime Minister Kishida, Prime Minister Luxon and Deputy Prime Minister Marles for their respective countries' support of Ukraine, and for the opportunity to meet with "our closest partners in the Indo-Pacific".

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New Zealand

Before closing the meeting, Prime Minister Luxon told President Zelenskyy that although New Zealand was one of the most geographically distant countries from Ukraine, "what happens in your country affects us all, and we are prepared to stand with Ukraine for the long haul".

- He reiterated New Zealand's latest support package for Ukraine, which included funding for New Zealand to join the UK/Latvia-led drone coalition as well as funding for the NATO Flagship project on medical rehabilitation of Armed Forces of Ukraine

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personnel. It also included new humanitarian assistance for Ukrainian communities affected by Russia's ongoing aggression.

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File Note: Bilateral Meeting with the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau

10 July 2024, Washington DC

1. Prime Ministers Trudeau and Luxon made some introductory remarks to Canadian and New Zealand media reflecting the positive bilateral relationship and shared values. Prime Minister Luxon noted his personal fondness for Canada from his time living in Toronto.

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File Note: Bilateral Meeting with President Emmanuel Macron of France

10 July 2024, Washington DC

New Caledonia

1. Prime Minister Luxon acknowledged New Zealand's strong cooperation with France in the South West Pacific ^{s6(a)}

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Other

8. The Prime Minister expressed his appreciation to President Macron for his support in establishing the Christchurch Call Foundation.
9. President Macron invited to the Prime Minister to the UN Conference of the Oceans being hosted in France in June 2025.
10. Prime Minister concluded by wishing France success in hosting the Olympic Games.

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RĀPOPOTO – SUMMARY

Prime Minister Luxon undertook his first bilateral visit to the United States 9-12 July against a backdrop of heightened global tension and uncertainty and at a critical moment in US domestic politics.

The Prime Minister had an intensive programme of political calls on both sides of the aisle and with individuals close to presumptive Republican nominee Donald Trump. These were designed to establish critical connections, deliver key New Zealand's foreign policy reset messages, and help position New Zealand to advance our objectives with the next US administration and next congress.

Engagements with President Biden, Secretary of State Blinken and Deputy Secretary of State Campbell provided important opportunities to demonstrate New Zealand's credentials as a trusted partner and identify the next steps in advancing the bilateral relationship.

s6(a) There was clear interest from across the US system to work collaboratively in the South Pacific and the wider Indo-Pacific. As expected, there was interest in New Zealand's plans for investing in defence.

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HOHENGGA – ACTION

For information.

PŪRONGO – REPORT

1. Prime Minister Rt Hon Christopher Luxon undertook his first visit to the United States 9-12 July to attend the 75th Anniversary NATO Summit and undertake a bilateral [programme](#). This message reports on the Washington DC engagements 9-10 July, with separate reporting to follow on the NATO Summit (including 3rd country bilateral engagements) and on the San Francisco leg on 12 July.
2. The primary objective for Washington DC was to position New Zealand and establish key personal connections ahead of the US presidential and congressional elections, s6(a) This required a programme of engagements with a range of senior former, current and potentially future administration and political operators from both sides of the aisle.

Biden Administration

Engagements with President Biden

3. Prime Minister Luxon had engagements with President Biden at the White House dinner on 10 July and a brief pull aside on 11 July in the margins of the NATO Summit. Secretary of State Blinken was also present for the latter. s6(a), s6(b)(i)

Luxon praised the leadership of the President Biden and his administration on the US's increased engagement in the South Pacific and the wider Indo-Pacific.

Meeting with Kurt Campbell, Deputy Secretary of State

4. The Prime Minister's programme in Washington began with a breakfast meeting with Deputy Secretary of State, Kurt Campbell
5. The Prime Minister described New Zealand's foreign policy reset; his focus on strengthening relationships with countries in the Indo-Pacific; ^{s6(a)}
6. The Prime Minister welcomed the US's increased engagement in the Pacific and offered New Zealand's ongoing assistance to the US in the region. ^{s6(a), s6(b)(i)}
7. ^{s6(b)(i)}

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9. ^{s6(b)(i)}

Congressional Programme

10. In a comprehensive programme on Capitol Hill, the Prime Minister met with 21 Members of Congress ^[1], including the leadership of the House and Senate Foreign Affairs committees and House Ways and Means Committee.
11. The Prime Minister delivered three key messages to members of Congress:
 - 11.1. That New Zealand wanted to be a trusted partner for the United States.
 - 11.2. The government had reset New Zealand's foreign policy and was intensely focused on supporting peace and security in the Indo-Pacific, which was

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inextricably linked with that in the Euro-Atlantic region.

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TĀKUPU - COMMENT

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The Prime Minister was able to establish personal connections, deliver key messages on New Zealand's foreign policy, and position New Zealand as a trusted friend for the US. s6(a) having the personal connections will be a critical part of advocating for New Zealand's interests, s6(a)

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MUTU - ENDS

^[1] Prime Minister Luxon met with the following members of the US Congress.

Co-Chairs, Congressional Friends of New Zealand Caucus

- Congressman Rick Larsen (Democrat – Washington)
- Congressman August Pfluger (Republican – Texas)

Chair and Ranking Member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee

- Congressman Michael McCaul (Republican – Texas)
- Congressman Gregory Meeks (Democrat – New York)

Senate Foreign Relations Committee

- Chairman Ben Cardin (Democrat – Maryland)
- Ranking Member Jim Risch (Republican – Idaho)
- Senator Tim Scott (Republican – South Carolina)
- Senator Tim Kaine (Democrat – Virginia)
- Senator Chris Van Hollen (Democrat – Maryland)(Chair, Indo-Pacific Subcommittee)
- Senator Jeff Merkley (Democrat – Oregon)
- Senator Brian Schatz (Democrat – Hawai'i)
- Senator Pete Ricketts (Republican – Nebraska)

House Ways and Means Committee (Republican Members)

- Chairman Jason Smith (Republican – Missouri)
- Representative Adrian Smith (Republican – Nebraska), Chairman of the Trade Subcommittee
- Representative Beth Van Duyne (Republican – Texas)
- Representative Carol Miller (Republican – West Virginia)

Individual Appointments

- Senator Jon Ossoff (Democrat – Georgia)
- Senator Maria Cantwell (Democrat – Washington)
- Senator Amy Klobuchar (Democrat – Washington)
- Senator Bill Hagerty (Republican – Tennessee)
- Senator Ted Cruz (Republican – Texas)

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