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Thank you for your email of 29 January 2025 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*"Wondering whether I can be supplied any briefings to the Minister on US President Donald Trump's executive order to pause foreign aid?"*

At the time of receiving your request, no briefings have been prepared by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (the Ministry) for Ministers relating to the United States President Donald Trump's executive order to pause foreign aid. Accordingly, your request is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the information does not exist.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Therefore, our response to your request (with your personal information removed) may be published on the Ministry website: [www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/contact-us/official-information-act-responses/](http://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/about-us/contact-us/official-information-act-responses/)

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Nāku noa, nā



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