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## **RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (REF: DOIA001-2024/25)**

On 2 July 2024, you contacted the Ministry for Pacific Peoples (the Ministry) requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information relating to the Pakeha Project. I have outlined your specific requests and my responses to each below.

- 1. The total staff sent to courses run by Unity House Ltd trading as the Pakeha Project in each of the last three years.
  - Please break this down by year.
  - Please indicate what course/workshop/training each staff member was involved in is called.
- 2. The total spent on sending staff to these courses over the last three years.
  - Please break this down by year
- 3. The value of any other funding provided to Unity House and/or the Pakeha Project, broken down by date, funding purpose and amount.
- 4. Please give the reasoning behind staff been sent on these courses and whether it was compulsory or not.
- 5. Please provide a copy of all documentation that explains what the Pakeha Project, or any associated courses/training is, whether produced in house or provided to your agency. Including internal messages relating to the programme.
- 6. Please provide any measurable outcomes from your agency's

The Ministry has not paid for staff to attend courses run by Unity House Ltd trading as the Pakeha Project in the last three years. I am therefore refusing this information under section 18(e) of the OIA as the information requested does not exist.

In line with standard OIA practice, the Ministry proactively publishes some of its responses to OIA requests. As such, this letter may be published on the Ministry for Pacific Peoples' website. Your personal details will be removed, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you or your organisation.

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Should you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact the Ministry at: <u>oia requests@mpp.govt.nz</u>.

If you are dissatisfied with this response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or freephone 0800 802 602.

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