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Bruce Scott
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Dear Bruce

The Ministry of Fisheries transferred your request for copies of the Cabinet papers relating to the recently introduced amendment to Section 13 of the Fisheries Act to this office.

In response to your request, please find enclosed the documents listed below:

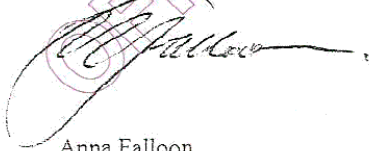
- CAB446 Proposed Amendment to the Fisheries Act
- CAB454 Amendment of the Fisheries Act: TAC Setting - 25 June 2008
- CAB456 Fisheries Amendment Bill (Section 13): Approval for Introduction - 9 July 2008

We are unable to release one sentence in the CAB446 paper pursuant to s 9(2)(h) of the Official Information Act on the grounds that withholding the information is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege.

I am satisfied that in terms of s 9(1) of the Act, that, in the circumstances of this case, the withholding of this information is not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest to make the information available.

You have the right under s 28(3) of the Official Information Act to make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman to seek an investigation and review of my refusal to release some of the information requested.

Yours sincerely



Anna Falloon
Private Secretary - Fisheries
Office of the Minister of Fisheries

