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Tena koutou

This letter and enclosed material is in response to your Official Information Act (OIA) request to the Chief Executive of the Ministry of Fisheries (the Ministry) for a wide range of material relating to the amendment of section 13 of the Fisheries Act 1996, which was received on 21 August 2008.

I understand the Ministry has already released to you a number of briefing papers and other documents relating to your request. Enclosed with this letter are three documents that the Ministry considered would be more appropriately released by the Office of the Minister. Accordingly, please find attached:

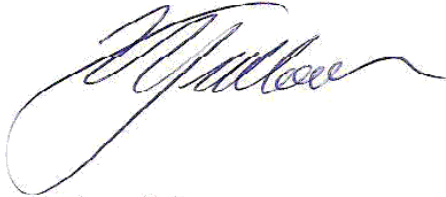
- a) a letter from the Seafood Industry Council to the Minister of Fisheries, dated 4 July 2008, expressing support for the section 13 amendment, in conjunction with the withdrawal of the Fisheries Act 1996 Amendment Bill (No 1) (the section 10 Bill) ;
- b) talking points provided to the Minister on 7 July 2008 for an oral item at Cabinet Policy Committee on 9 July 2008, concerning the need for the withdrawal of the section 10 Bill from the Order Paper as a condition of industry support for the section 13 amendment; and
- c) a letter from the Minister of Fisheries to Bruce Scott of Chapman Tripp in response to an OIA request for the Fisheries Act Amendment Cabinet papers, dated 7 August 2008.



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The enclosed material completes your request in respect of formal documents available release by the Office of the Minister at this time.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A Falloon', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the left.

Anna Falloon
Private Secretary (Fisheries)