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On 8 July 2016 you emailed the Ministry requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

- All briefings to the Minister of Social Development regarding the Pasefika Proud Programme of Action.
- A summary of all costs related to the Pasefika Proud Programme of Action.

The Pacific Advisory Group (PAG) was established by Family and Community Services to support the work of the Taskforce for Action Against Violence Within Families (the Taskforce). In 2008, as part of the work under the Taskforce, the PAG developed a Programme of Action called 'Programme of Action for Pacific Peoples 2008 and Beyond'.

In 2013, the 'Programme of Action for Pacific Peoples 2008 and Beyond' was reviewed to incorporate the Nga Vaka o Kaiga Tapu (Nga Vaka) which was launched in 2012. In September 2013 the Ministry began developing the 'Pasefika Proud Programme of Action 2014-2017' (henceforth referred to as the PoA).

The revised PoA took on the look and feel of the Nga Vaka series and a new colour and slight adjustment to the design was applied for the publication and print of hardcopies.

On 23 May 2014, the former Minister Tariana Turia launched the PoA at the Pasefika Proud Christchurch Fono as part of the proceedings.

The following table provides a summary of all the costs for the development of the 'Pasefika Proud Programme of Action 2014-2017'.

Description	Amount
Fees for two writers	\$29,930.50
Fees for four regional focus groups	\$1429.19
Proof reading, design, publishing and printing	\$9,583.50
Travel and accommodation	\$4147.71
Core group Costs	\$1,060.00
Total	\$46,150.90

Following the establishment of Community Investment in 2014, the work of the Pacific Unit has been determined by the development and subsequent implementation of the Community Investment Strategy and the Ministerial Family Violence and Sexual Violence work programme, not by the PoA.

There have been no briefings to the Minister for Social Development about the Pasefika Proud Programme of Action, and as such, this part of your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act.

I hope you find this information helpful. You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

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Yours sincerely

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