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Dear Mary

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to Phil Twyford and for the enclosed publication *Banning Cluster Munitions: Government Policy and Practice*.

I am proud that New Zealand under a Labour Government played a leading role against the use of cluster munitions, culminating in the Dublin Treaty of May 2008. This was one of the most important advances in disarmament over recent times.

It was a privilege to have served as Minister and to have worked with the Ministry and NGO's to make a positive contribution on behalf of New Zealand. New Zealand has played an important part in the international efforts to achieve a world free of nuclear weapons, other weapons of mass destruction and cluster munitions. As a small country with strong values and principles in this area, we were able to make a difference.

I appreciate being sent a copy of this publication.

Thank you for writing.

Yours sincerely



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Leader of the Labour Party