Classification Flow Chart

Unauthorised release of the information would likely affect National Security or the interests of NZ citizens?

YES

NATIONAL SECURITY

It would damage the security, defence or international relations of NZ in a:

- **CATASTROPHIC** Manner → **TOP SECRET**
- **EXTREME** Manner → **SECRET**
- **VERY HIGH** Manner → **CONFIDENTIAL**
- **HIGH** Manner → **RESTRICTED**

It would affect the interests of NZ citizens by:

POLICY & PRIVACY

- Damaging the interests of NZ or endanger the safety of its citizens → **SENSITIVE**
- Impede the effective conduct of the government → **IN-CONFIDENCE**
- Prejudicing the maintenance of law & order → **IN-CONFIDENCE**
- Adversely affect the privacy of its citizens → **IN-CONFIDENCE**

NO → **UNCLASSIFIED**